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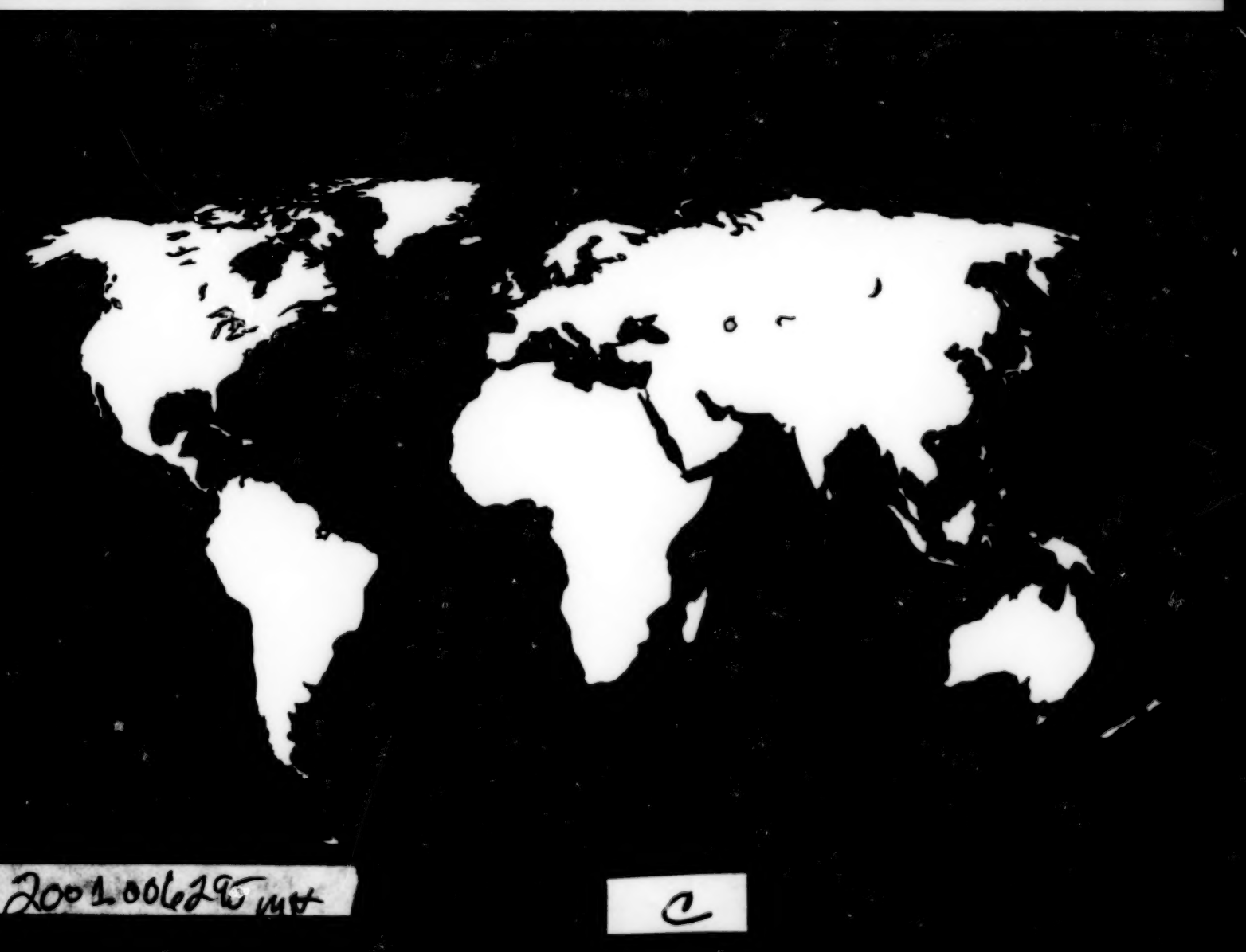

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THE VISA FUNCTION

One of the important functions of the Foreign Service of the United States is the administration abroad of our immigration laws. Congress first charged consular officers with the responsibility of issuing visas to certain aliens in the Act of July 5, 1884. In 1917, a general requirement that all aliens seeking to enter the United States obtain visas was instituted and has been continued since that time under successive immigration laws. With certain exceptions, therefore, aliens desiring to come to the United States are required to obtain appropriate visas from U.S. consular officers stationed at some 210 Foreign Service posts throughout the world.

Although consular officers are directly responsible under the law for the issuance or refusal of visas, the Department of State is charged with the general administration of the functions vested in the Foreign Service by the immigration laws. In fulfilling this responsibility, the Department's Visa Office in the Bureau of Consular Affairs prepares regulations that are published in the *Federal Register*; instructs consular officers regarding interpretations of law; establishes standardized procedures; provides on-the-spot guidance through regional conferences, workshops, and field trips; and furnishes advisory opinions concerning all phases of visa work. A review procedure is set in motion by consular requests for the Department's advice on material points of law, or when the Department requests a report from a consular post with a view to determining whether the action taken or proposed in a specific case is in accordance with the applicable provisions of the law. Although the vast majority of visas are issued at overseas posts, a few categories of nonimmigrant visas may be issued or renewed by the Diplomatic Liaison Division of the Visa Office and by the U.S. Mission to the United Nations.

For many people in foreign lands, the call at the American consular office is the first personal contact with the United States. A courteous reception by an American official and fair and reasonable attention to the application for a visa serve to create an atmosphere of good will and help to promote our foreign relations.

In recent years successive Presidents have stressed the importance of facilitating international travel. The procedures for the issuance of visas to persons wishing to visit the United States have been kept as simple as possible; every effort is made to expedite the necessary action; and, in many cases, the personal appearance of the applicant is not required. Before a visa is issued, an applicant's written application is reviewed or the applicant is interviewed by a consular officer to determine eligibility for a visa appropriate to the purpose of the planned journey to the United States. If necessary, documentary evidence is requested to establish that the applicant intends to return to a residence abroad, does not come within any of the excludable classes, and has adequate financial resources for the proposed journey. To assist the travel of nonimmigrants, visas are issued incorporating the most liberal provisions possible with respect to validity period and fees on the basis of reciprocity, that is, the treatment accorded by the applicant's country to U.S. citizens. Necessary clearance procedures are handled as expeditiously as possible. There is moreover a pilot program under which citizens of several countries are permitted to visit the United States for up to 90 days without needing to obtain a visitor visa in advance of travel.

Applicants who are entitled to one of the immigrant classifications and who are chargeable to an oversubscribed foreign state or category are registered on waiting lists, in the order in which they have qualified, to establish a priority for consideration when visa numbers become available. The priority date for preference applicants is ordinarily that on which the petition to establish a preference was filed with the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

The National Visa Center, located in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, is designed to relieve Foreign Service posts of a substantial amount of the clerical workload required to process immigrant visa applications. Immigrant visa petitions are sent directly from the Immigration and Naturalization Service to the Center for initial screening, record-keeping, and instructions to the visa applicant before being forwarded to overseas posts for further processing and visa issuance. If an applicant's priority date does not allow immediate visa availability, the petition is stored at the Center until the case priority date permits visa processing to begin.

The Immigration and Naturalization Service primarily, the Public Health Service and the Department of Labor, and other agencies to a lesser extent, share in the administration of the immigration laws. The jurisdictions of those agencies are complementary in most respects, and close liaison is maintained between and among them and the Department of State to insure a uniform interpretation of the law and to coordinate practices. Officers of the Immigration and Naturalization Service are stationed at a number of Foreign Service posts abroad to carry out more effectively certain functions that come within the Service's area of responsibility.

In preparation for their visa duties abroad, consular officers take a visa services course at the Department of State's Foreign Service Institute as part of their basic Foreign Service training. Advanced consular training for experienced officers is also offered. A correspondence course in visa work is available for officers and clerical personnel assigned to overseas posts.

Top Ten Immigrant and Nonimmigrant Visa Issuing Posts Fiscal Year 1998

Immigrant [1]		Nonimmigrant	
Ciudad Juarez	57,057	Seoul	355,378
Manila	24,972	Sao Paulo	262,806
Guangzhou	23,787	Taipei [2]	252,235
Santo Domingo	15,556	Mexico	244,798
Mumbai (Bombay)	12,486	Bogota	231,145
Islamabad	10,472	Rio de Janeiro	159,067
Port-au-Prince	9,838	Monterrey	151,091
Bangkok/Orderly Departure Program	9,742	Ciudad Juarez	126,142
Kingston	9,579	Manila	124,105
Warsaw	9,546	Hong Kong	119,353

[1] Replaced visas are not included in the immigrant figures.

[2] The Taipei office of the American Institute in Taiwan, although an unofficial instrumentality, has been authorized to process visa applications for residents of Taiwan.

Immigrant and Nonimmigrant Visas Issued Top Ten Countries Fiscal Year 1998

Immigrant [1]		Nonimmigrant	
Mexico	56,999	Mexico	741,501
China (mainland born)	27,776	Brazil	496,683
Philippines	25,953	South Korea	380,645
India	25,292	India	295,220
Dominican Republic	15,551	China (Taiwan)	263,967
Vietnam	11,017	China (mainland)	255,114
Pakistan	10,314	Colombia	236,891
Haiti	9,932	Great Britain and Northern Ireland	175,882
Jamaica	9,810	Philippines	151,182
South Korea	8,431	Russia	137,960

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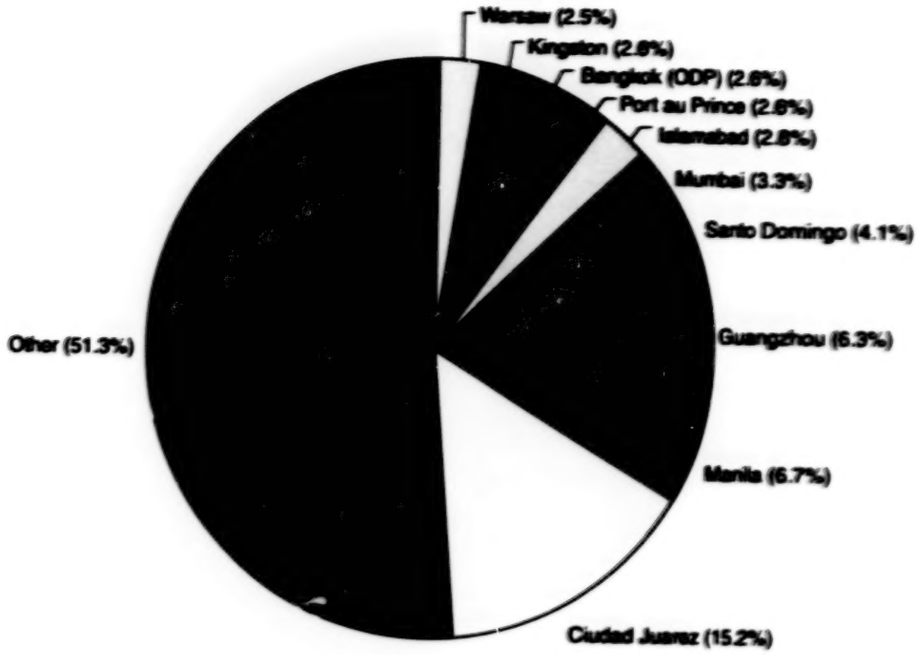
Immigrant Visa Issuances at Top Posts Fiscal Year 1998



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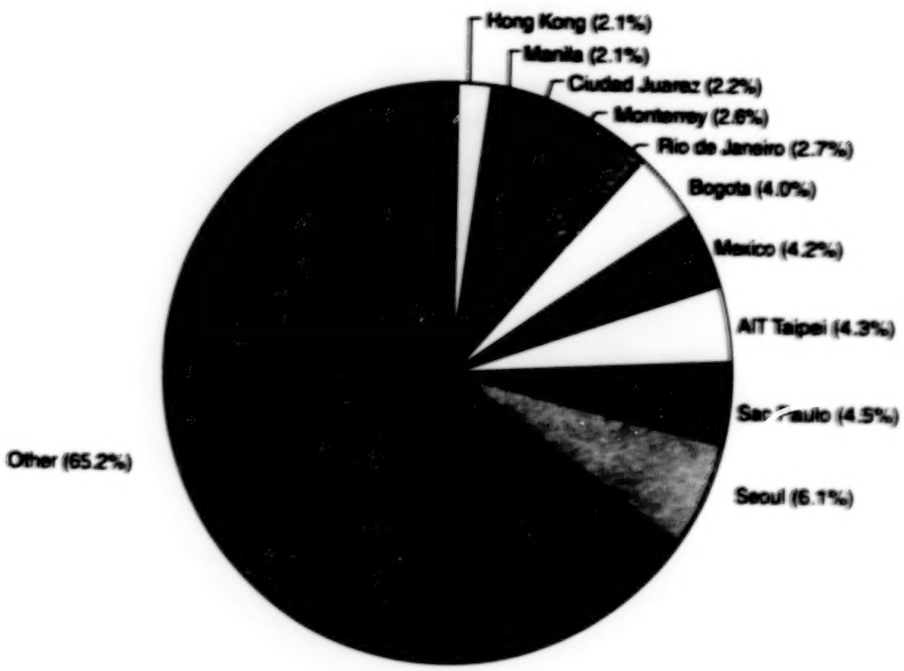
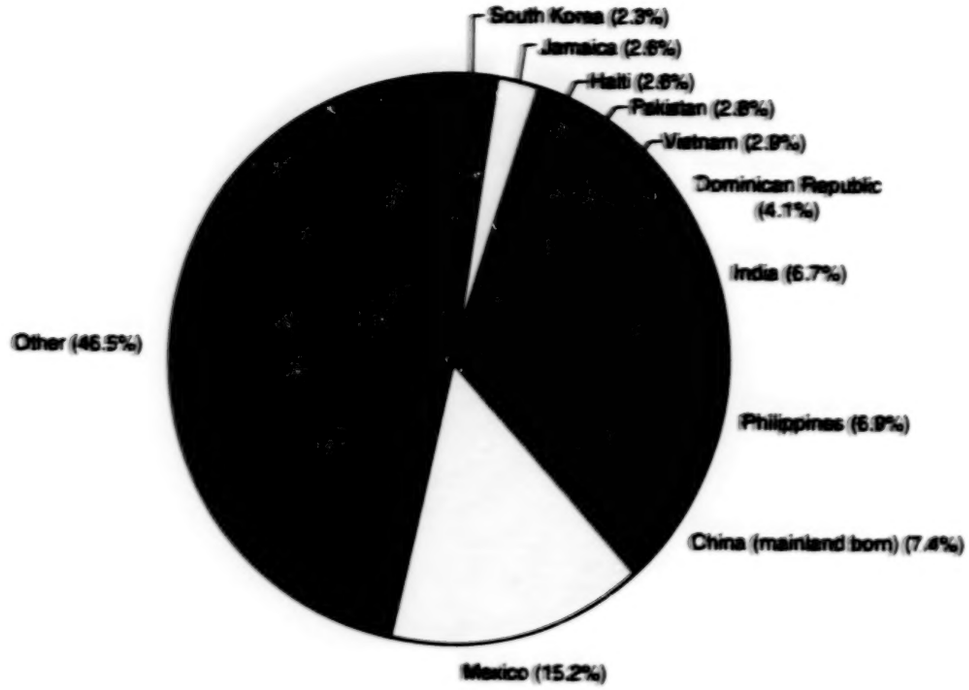
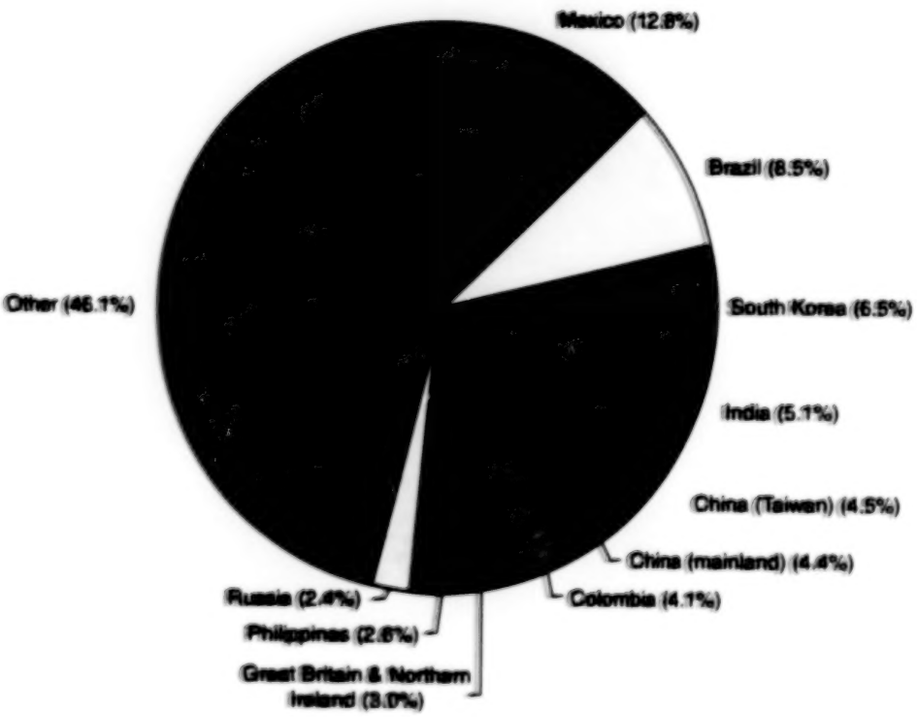


Immigrant Visas Issued at Foreign Service Posts
by Country of Birth/Chargeability
Fiscal Year 1998



Nonimmigrant Visas Issued
by Nationality
Fiscal Year 1998



SUMMARY

This *Report of the Visa Office* is a compilation of statistical data for Fiscal Year 1998 (October 1, 1997 – September 30, 1998).

The *Report* includes information on all visa issuances by consular offices and on the use of visa numbers in the numerically limited categories. The sources of information for the data are workload reports from visa-issuing offices abroad and immigrant visa number allocation records maintained at the Visa Office.

The *Report* does not contain information on refugees or on persons granted adjustment to permanent resident status by the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), except to the extent that such adjustments of status in the numerically limited categories are reflected in the tables of immigrant number use.

RECENT IMMIGRATION LEGISLATION

Extension of Employment Fourth Preference Status for Certain Religious Workers

Section 1(a) of Public Law 105–54, enacted October 6, 1997, extended the Employment Fourth Preference status for certain religious workers specified in Section 101(a)(27)(C)(ii)(II) and (III) of the Immigration and Nationality Act for 3 additional years, to September 30, 2000.

Extension of Regional Investor Pilot Program Immigrant Visa Categories

Section 610 of Public Law 102–395, enacted October 6, 1992, modified Section 203(b)(5) of the Immigration and Nationality Act by creating a 5-year pilot program which set aside up to 300 immigrant visas annually for aliens investing in qualifying regional centers in the United States for the promotion of economic growth (the "R5" and "I5" categories). This provision was amended by Section 116 of Public Law 105–119, enacted November 26, 1997, which increased the number of immigrant visas available annually under the pilot program to 3,000 and extended the program to 7 years effective with October 6, 1992.

Affidavit of Support and Financial Sponsorship Requirements

Effective December 19, 1997, Section 213A of the Immigration and Nationality Act requires all applications for immigrant visas in the following categories to be accompanied by a contractually binding affidavit of support (Form I-864) which has been signed by the petitioner: all immediate relatives including orphans, and family-based immigrants (self-petitioning widow(er)s and battered spouses and children are exempt from this requirement); and employment-based immigrants where a relative filed the immigrant visa petition or has a significant ownership interest (5 percent or more) in the entity that filed the petition. Form I-864 is required to show that the intending immigrant has adequate means of financial support and will not become a public charge. By executing this form, the petitioner agrees to reimburse any government agency or private entity that provides the sponsored immigrant with any means-tested public benefit.

IMMIGRANT VISA CATEGORIES AND NUMERICAL LIMITATIONS

See Appendix A–1 for an outline of the categories of immigrants and the numerical limits established under the terms of the Immigration and Nationality Act, and Appendix A–2 for background on the numerical limits for Fiscal Year 1998.

Numerical Limitations

During Fiscal Year 1998, 226,000 family-sponsored and 140,000 employment-based preference visas were available, for a worldwide family and employment preference limit of 366,000.

Employment-based preference visas were available to most applicants without a waiting period. Exceptions were applicants chargeable to CHINA–mainland born and INDIA, for whom heavy visa demand in excess of the per-country annual limit set by law resulted in a visa availability cut-off date, and all applicants in the "Other (i.e., Unskilled) Worker" subgroup within Employment Third preference. All family-sponsored preference categories were oversubscribed.

The per-country limit on **preference** immigrants is set by the Immigration and Nationality Act at 7% of the worldwide family and employment preference limits. For Fiscal Year 1998, the per-country limit came to 25,620. The dependent area limit came to 7,320, 2% of the worldwide family and employment preference limits.

When demand for preference immigrant numbers exceeds the annual limitation set by law for a country, that country is considered oversubscribed. All oversubscribed chargeabilities are subject to the provisions of Section 202(e) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, which makes immigrant numbers within the per-country limitation available to each preference category in proportion to its worldwide numerical limitation. (See Appendix A--1, Section II.B. for breakdown.) The following chargeabilities were oversubscribed during Fiscal Year 1998: CHINA--mainland born, INDIA, MEXICO, and PHILIPPINES.

Diversity Immigrant (DV) Category

Section 203(c) of the Immigration and Nationality Act makes available 55,000 immigrant visas annually to persons from countries with low rates of immigration to the United States. Applicants for these visas are selected by means of an annual lottery. Congress established this category to provide more visas for Europe (the traditional source of immigration) and Africa (long underrepresented in total immigration) without restricting immigration from Asia and Latin America, from which about 80 percent of legal immigrants have come in recent years. The program also offers a chance to immigrants who do not already have close family members or employers in the United States and who thus cannot qualify for visas in other categories.

Not more than 3,850 DV visas (7% of the 55,000 visa limit) may be provided to immigrants from any one country. Under a complex formula in the law based upon statistical data concerning immigration over a 5-year period, the visas are apportioned among six geographic regions. The allotment of Fiscal Year 1998 visa numbers for each region was: Africa, 21,179; Asia, 7,280; Europe, 23,213; North America (Bahamas), 8; South America, Central America, and the Caribbean, 2,476; and Oceania, 844.

Natives of all countries except those defined as "high admission" countries are eligible to participate in the DV program. For Fiscal Year 1998, the "high admission" countries were: Canada, China -- mainland and Taiwan, Colombia, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, India, Jamaica, South Korea, Mexico, Philippines, Poland, United Kingdom (except Northern Ireland), and Vietnam, and their dependent territories. Natives of Northern Ireland and Hong Kong Special Administrative Region were eligible to apply.

Applicants registered for the Fiscal Year 1998 DV program were selected from the approximately 4.7 million qualified entries received during the 1-month application period which ran from noon February 3 through noon March 5, 1997. The Department of State picked at random by computer and assigned rank order numbers to approximately 100,000 applicants. That figure anticipated that many of the registrants would not pursue their cases or might be ineligible to receive visas, and was intended to insure that all 55,000 Fiscal Year 1998 visa numbers could be used.

Entitlement to status for DV applicants registered for Fiscal Year 1998 expired at the end of the fiscal year, i.e., as of September 30, 1998. Of the visa numbers available for this category in Fiscal Year 1998, 51,565 numbers were issued.

IMMIGRANT VISAS

Immigrant Visa Workload

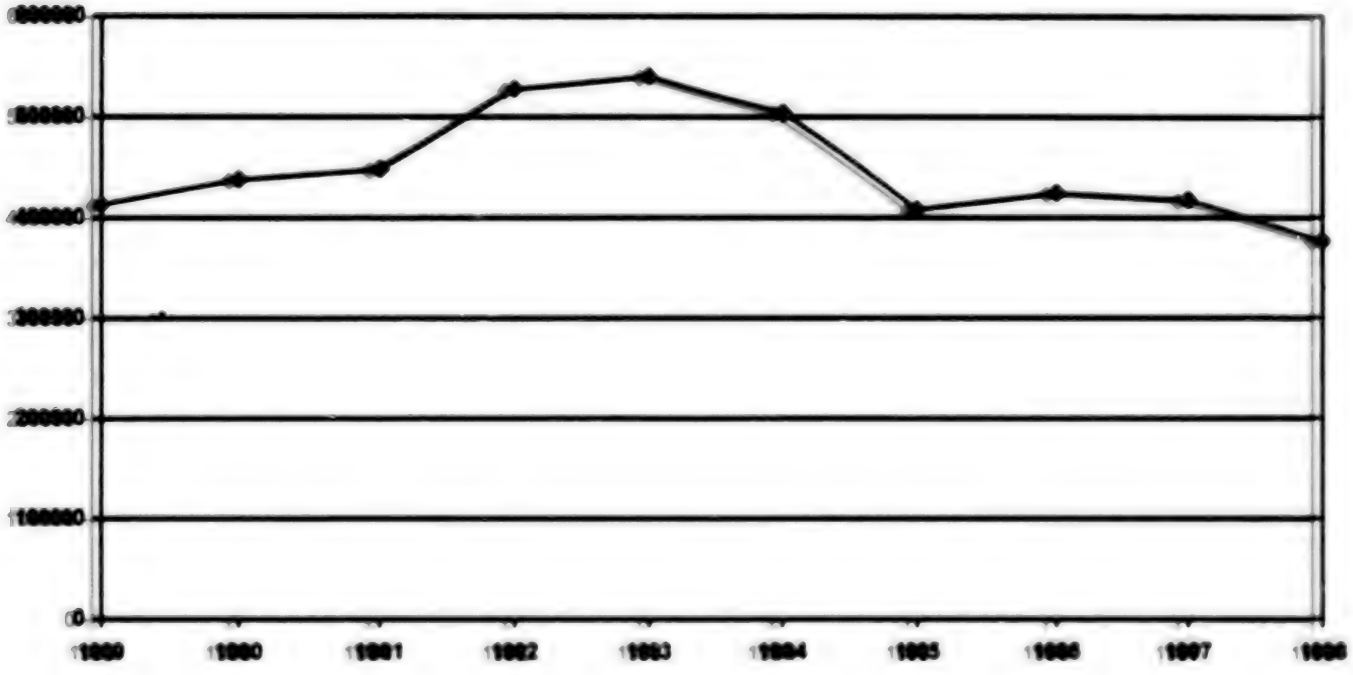
The total number of immigrant visas (including replaced visas) issued at offices abroad in Fiscal Year 1998 was 376,701. This figure is a 42,188 (10.1%) decrease from the immigrant visa issuances for Fiscal Year 1997. Immediate Relative issuances were down 17.3 percent, Family-Sponsored Preference issuances decreased 2.8 percent, and Employment-Based Preference issuances were down 24.3 percent from the prior year. The net decrease in immigrant visa issuances during Fiscal Year 1998 is mainly attributable to implementation of the new Affidavit of Support and financial sponsorship requirements of Section 213A of the Immigration and Nationality Act effective December 19, 1997.

Immigrant Visas Issued At Foreign Service Posts
By Geographic Areas
Fiscal Years 1994 – 1998

Region Of Birth Or Chargeability	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Europe	77,211	47,288	49,971	50,059	49,478
Asia	154,564	161,684	174,359	173,614	152,801
Africa	11,266	28,514	30,002	30,514	27,141
North America	223,170	137,794	136,151	132,622	120,260
South America	35,117	28,975	30,309	27,509	23,169
Oceania	2,216	2,780	2,648	2,601	2,835
Total	**503,544**	**407,035**	**423,440**	**416,919**	**375,684**

Note: The above figures do not include replaced visas. Issuances to persons chargeable to dependent areas are included in the figure for the region of the governing country.

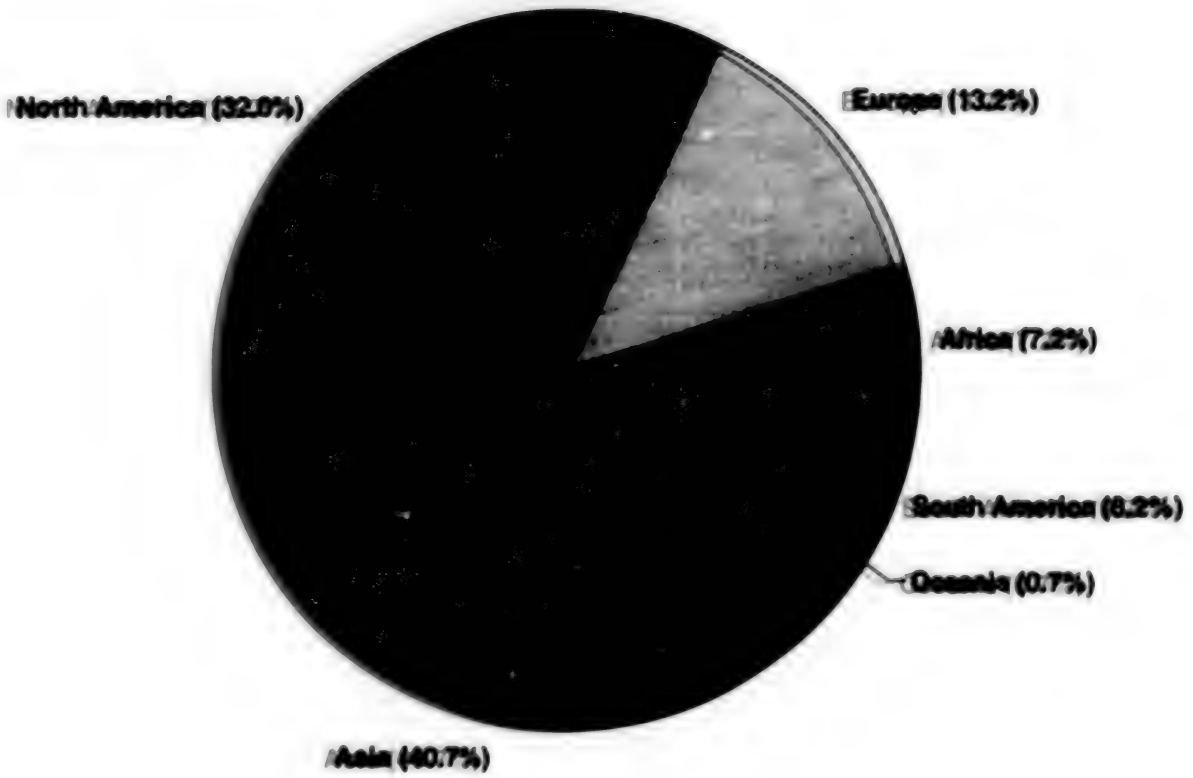
Immigrant Visas Issued
Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998



On a regional basis the following variations are noted: Europe down 581 (-1.2%), Asia down 20,813 (-12.0%), Africa down 3,373 (-11.1%), North America down 12,362 (-9.3%), South America down 4,340 (-15.8%), and Oceania up 234 (+9.0%).

Immigrants from Asia represented 40.7% of the total visa issuances, with North America following with 32.0%.

Immigrant Visa Issuances
by Applicants' Area of Birth/Chargeability
Regional Breakdown
Fiscal Year 1998



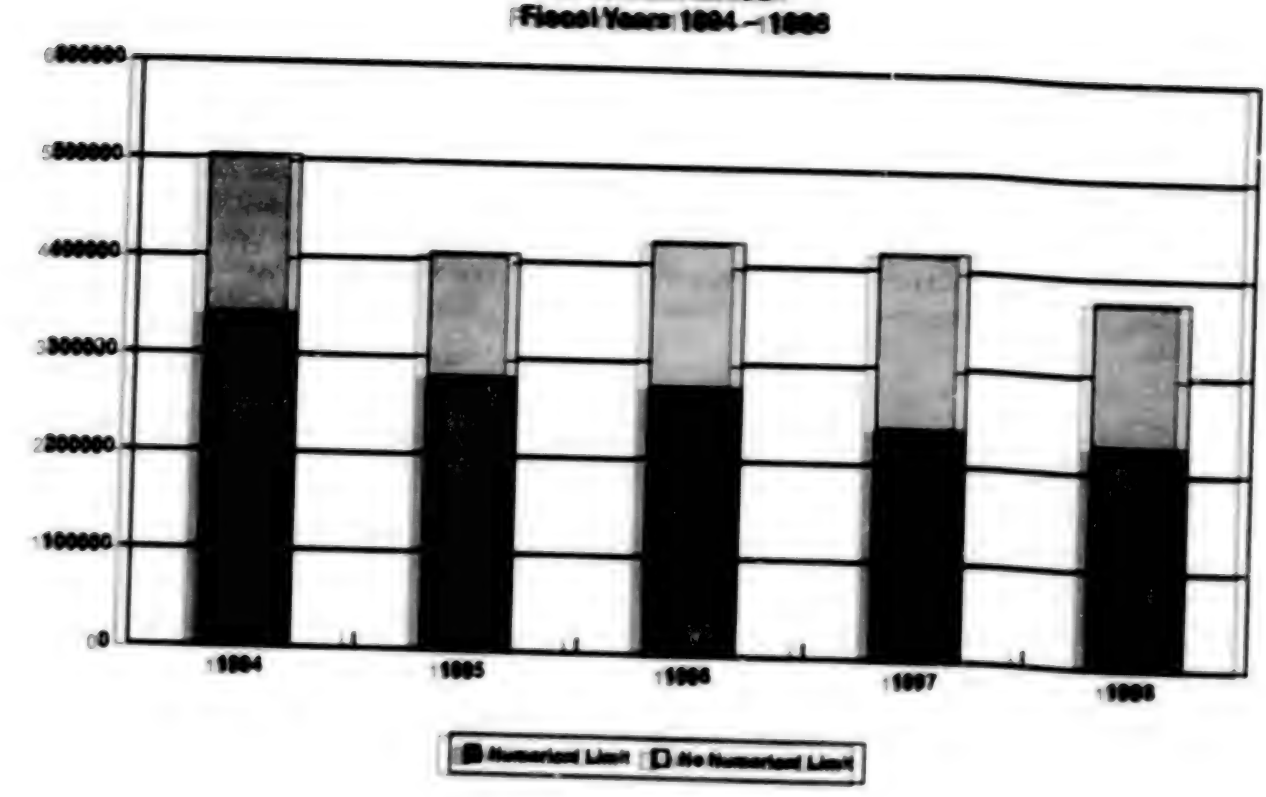
Classes of Immigrants

Immigrants may be divided into two broad categories: Those who are in classes subject to numerical limitations, and those in classes for which there are no numerical restrictions.

Classes Not Subject to Limitations

The classes not subject to numerical limitations include: "Immediate Relatives" of U.S. citizens, defined as spouse, child, orphan adopted or to be adopted, parent (if the citizen is at least 21 years of age), and certain widow(er)s and their children, and some "Special Immigrants," primarily returning resident aliens. The Vietnam Amerasian immigrant category also falls in this group.

The majority of nonlimited visas are issued to immediate relatives. During Fiscal Year 1998, the total of immediate relative visas issued at overseas posts was 147,760, a decrease of 31,014 (-17.3%) from the Fiscal Year 1997 figure.


Immigrant Visas Issued
at Offices Abroad
Fiscal Years 1994 – 1998
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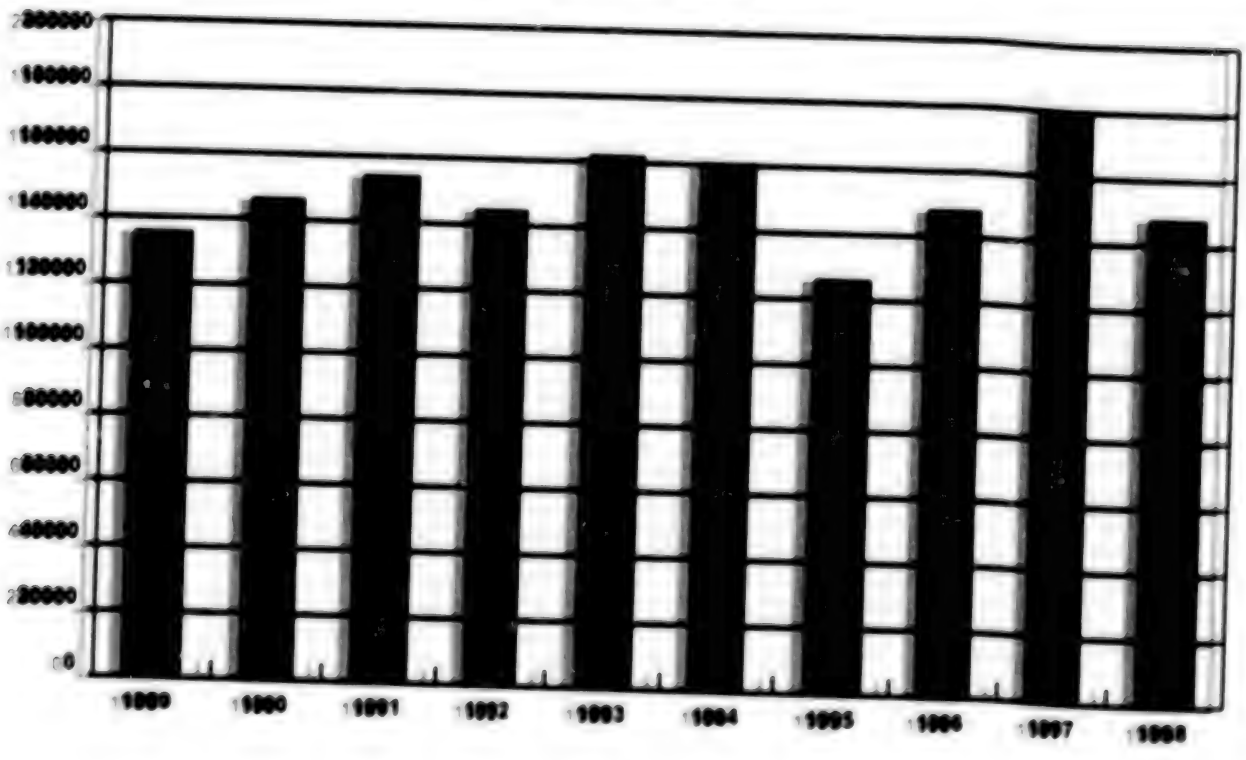
No Numerical Limit


Immediate Relative Visas Issued
at Offices Abroad
Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998
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100000
80000
60000
40000
20000
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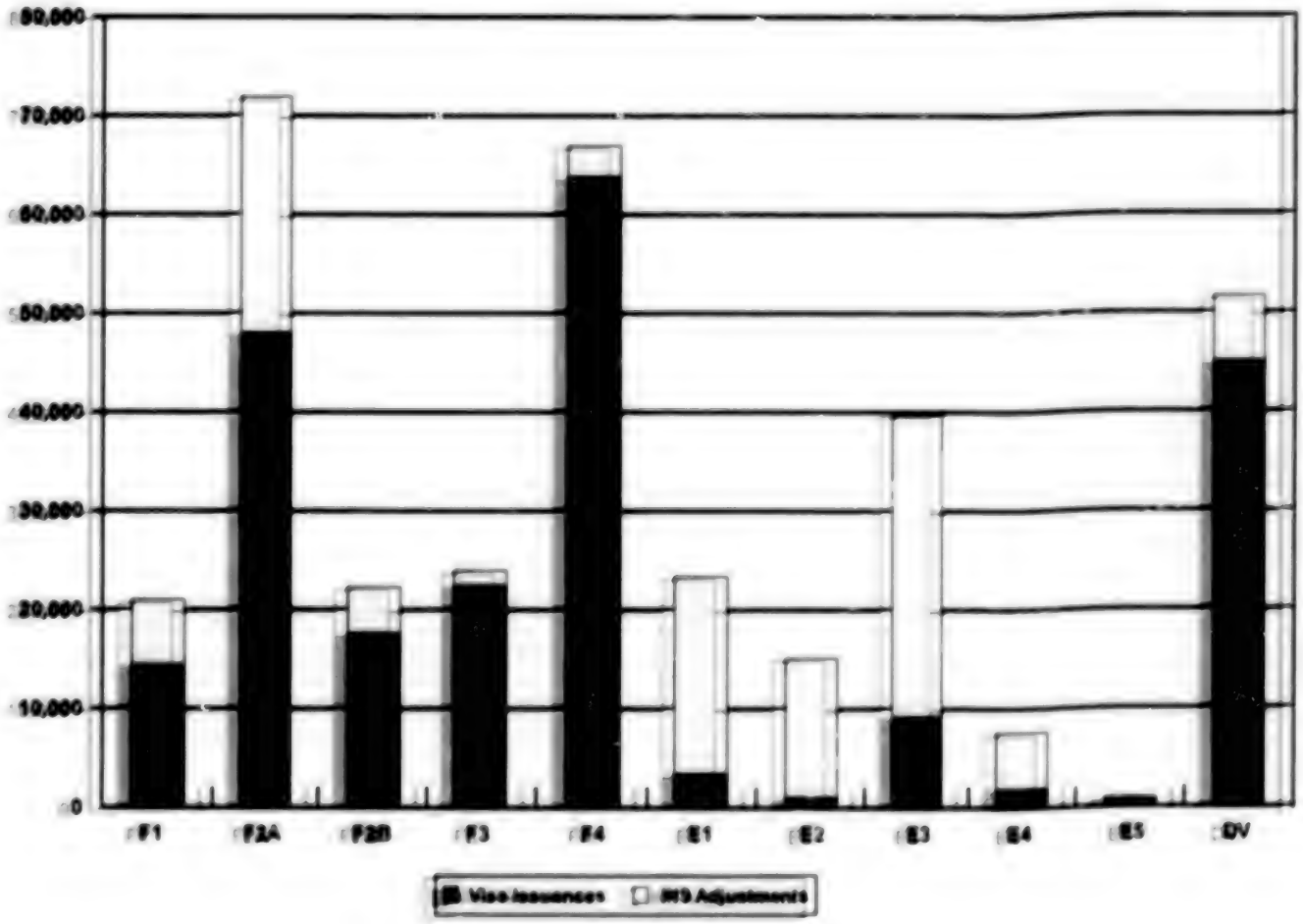
1990
1991
1992
1993
1994
1995
1996
1997
1998

Numerically Limited Classes

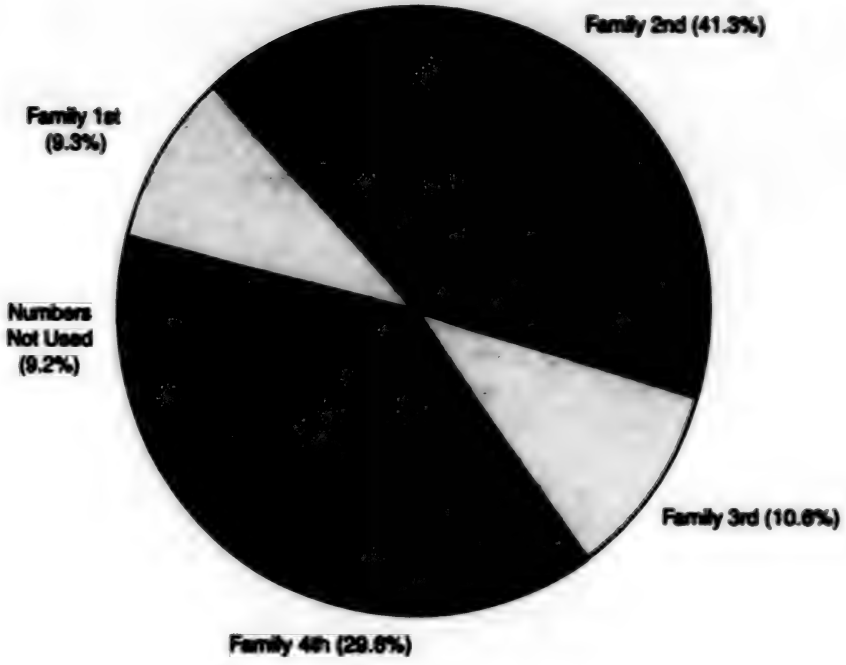
Most immigrant visas are issued to persons in the classes subject to numerical limitation. A description of these classes and numerical limits can be found in Appendix A-1, Section II.

For Fiscal Year 1998, visas provided at posts abroad represented 81% of the issuances in the Family preferences, 18% of the Employment preference number use, and 87% of the Diversity immigrant category issuances. The balance were applicants for adjustment of status at offices of the Immigration and Naturalization Service in the United States. The overall percentage of visas in these classes provided at posts abroad increased from Fiscal Year 1997, when such visas represented 75% of the Family preference issuances, 21% of the Employment preference number use, and 81% of the Diversity immigrant issuances.

Immigrant Visa Number Use
by Category
Fiscal Year 1998



Immigrant Visa Number Use in the
Family-Sponsored Preference Classes
226,000 Worldwide Limitation
Fiscal Year 1998



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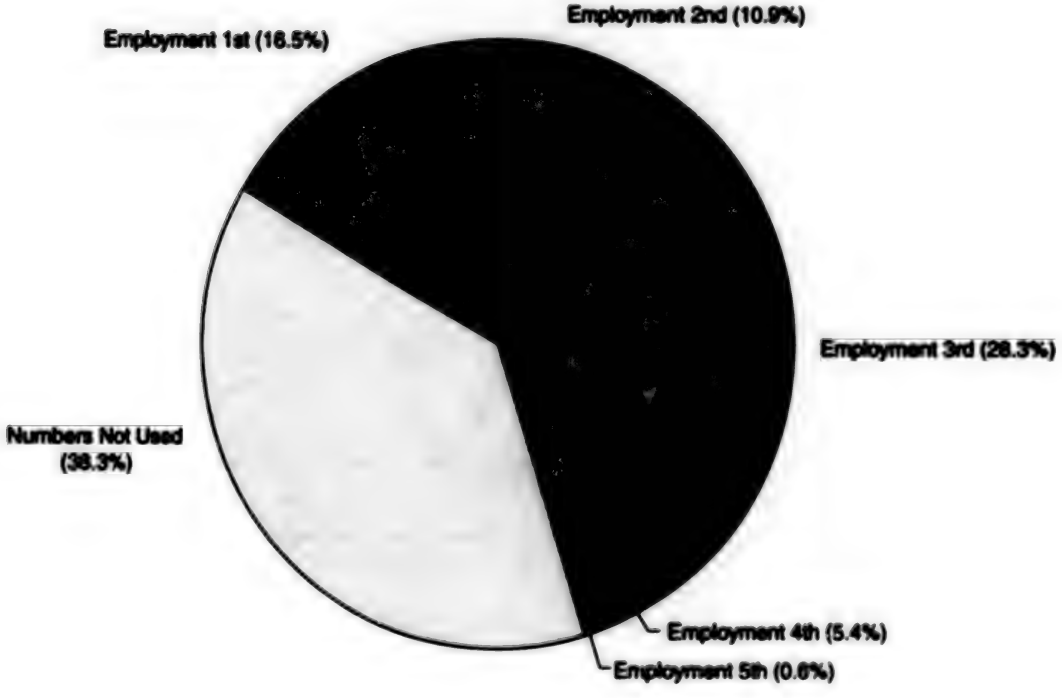
Employment-Based Preference Classes
140,000 Worldwide Limitation
Fiscal Year 1998



Immigrant Visa Applicants Registered at Offices Abroad

In January of most years all immigrant visa issuing offices abroad submit a report of registrants in the numerically limited classes. Consular posts were not asked to submit a report of waiting list totals in January 1998, however.

Total active registrants as of January 1997 were 3,622,897, a decrease of 69,609 (–1.9%) from the 3,692,506 registrations reported in January 1995. Since the 1995 count, the family-sponsored preference total decreased by 16,556 (–0.5%), with the reduction concentrated in the 2A (spouses and children of permanent residents) and fourth preferences. The employment-based preferences as a group decreased by 53,053 (–38.6%), due to a very substantial drop in "Other (i.e., Unskilled) Worker" cases.

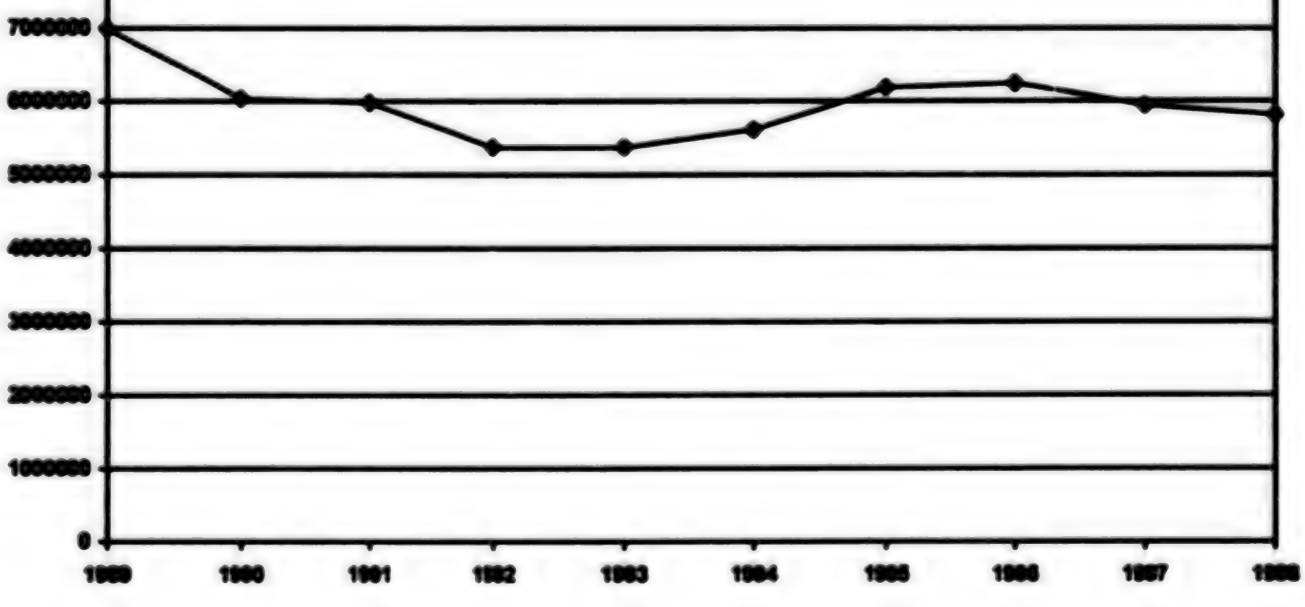
Appendix C of this report contains a breakdown of registered demand by category and area of birth as of January 1997.

NONIMMIGRANT VISAS

In Fiscal Year 1998, nonimmigrant visa issuances at Foreign Service posts totalled 5,814,153, a decrease of 127,908 (–2.2%) from the Fiscal Year 1997 figure of 5,942,061. Nonimmigrant visa issuances remained considerably below the record high of 8,679,709 set in Fiscal Year 1988, a continuing reflection of the Visa Waiver Pilot Program. The Program was extended through April 30, 1998 by Section 125 of P.L. 105–119, and through April 30, 2000 by Section 1 of P.L. 105–173. The Program was expanded on October 20, 1997 to include Slovenia. The 25 countries previously in the Program were Andorra, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brunei, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Monaco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, San Marino, Spain, Sweden, and Switzerland. Under the waiver program, citizens of the designated countries may visit the United States for up to 90 days without the need of obtaining a visitor visa.

Under separate provisions of law, visas are also not required of most Canadians and of certain other limited categories of travelers.

Nonimmigrant Visas Issued
Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998



Nonimmigrant issuances to nationals of Asian countries were about 35.2% of the total, and visas issued to nationals of North American countries equalled about 21.1%. Visitor (B) visas and Border Crossing Cards (BCCs) accounted for about 78.6% of the nonimmigrant visas issued, and temporary employment (E, H, I, L, O, P, Q, R, and NAFTA) visas about 6.2%. Visas issued to 10 nationalities (Mexico, Brazil, South Korea, India, China (Taiwan and mainland), Colombia, Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Philippines, and Russia) accounted for about 53.9% of the total issuances.

It should be noted that most nonimmigrant visas are valid for several years. The total of persons holding valid visas, therefore, is several times the figure for visas issued in any one year. The Department of State has made a conscious effort to authorize the maximum possible nonimmigrant visa validity for qualified applicants to reduce the need for frequent reapplication, thus helping to make worldwide nonimmigrant visa processing as efficient as possible.

Section 104 of Public Law 104–208, enacted September 30, 1996, requires that every Border Crossing Card (BCC) issued on or after April 1, 1998 contain a biometric identifier (a fingerprint) and be machine-readable. The law also originally required that any person entering the United States with a BCC on or after October 1, 1999 have one of the new cards. However, in recognition of the need to replace over 5 million existing cards, Public Law 105–277, enacted October 21, 1998, extended the 1999 deadline to October 1, 2001. The new BCCs are issued only to Mexican citizens who apply in Mexico. The State Department began accepting applications for the new biometric cards on April 1, 1998 in Ciudad Juarez, with other consular posts in Mexico brought on line gradually to serve the additional customers generated by this requirement. Consular officers in Mexico adjudicate BCC applications, then electronically forward the applicant's photo, biometric and biographic data to the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS). INS card production facilities in the United States print the cards and return them to the consular posts in Mexico for delivery to the applicants. The new document (a combined B1/B2 visitor visa and BCC, also called a "laser visa") is a laminated card with a 10-year validity.

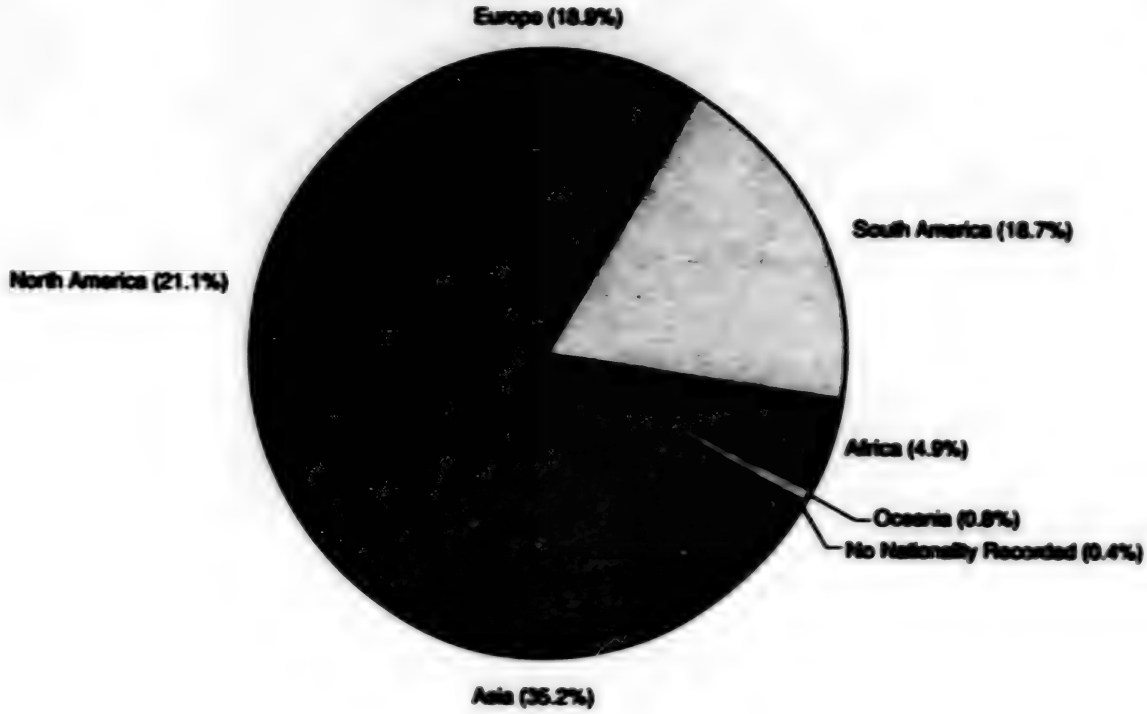
Nonimmigrant Visas Issued [1]
By Geographic Areas
Fiscal Years 1994 – 1998

Region Of Nationality	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Europe	1,098,257	1,155,559	1,179,665	1,145,164	1,099,114
Asia	1,768,775	2,042,084	2,289,590	2,389,684	2,047,626
Africa	217,754	226,123	250,049	267,210	284,071
North America	1,156,490	1,194,671	947,241	967,475	1,227,651
South America	1,017,132	1,195,467	1,213,811	1,079,655	1,085,251
Oceania	281,073	294,658	290,367	46,409	47,053
No Nationality Recorded [2]	71,472	73,260	67,147	46,464	23,387
Total	**5,610,953**	**6,181,822**	**6,237,870**	**5,942,861**	**5,814,153**

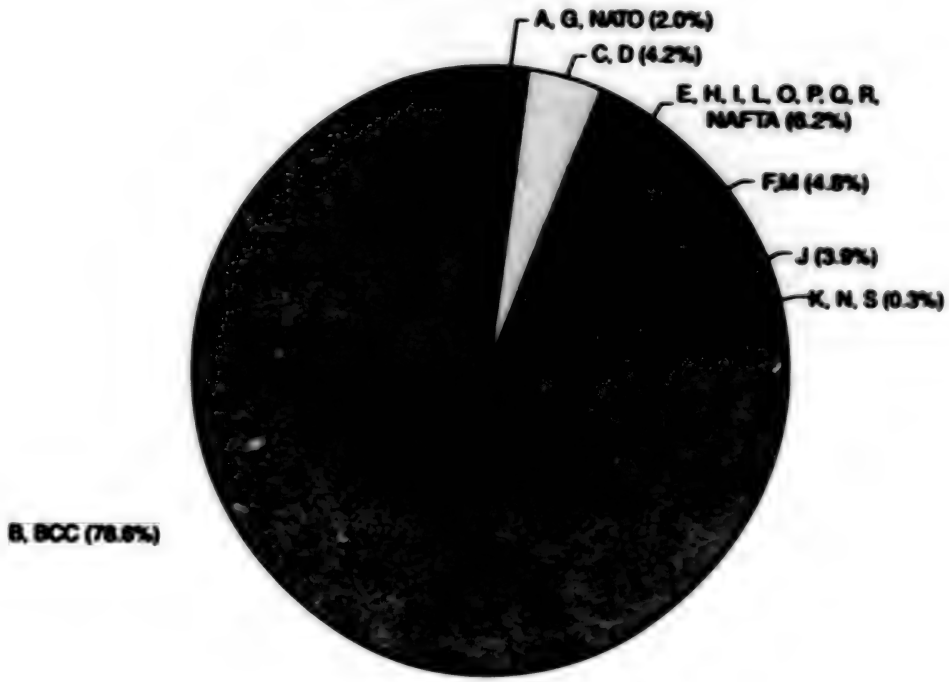
Note: Issuances to persons with the nationality of a dependent area are included in the figures for the region of the governing country.

[1] Includes border crossing cards. Does not include transferred visas.
[2] Crew list visas and issuances in UN Laissez Passer are included in the "No Nationality Recorded" figure.

Nonimmigrant Visa Issuances by Applicants' Nationality Regional Breakdown Fiscal Year 1998



Nonimmigrant Issuances by Classification Fiscal Year 1998



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CHANGES IN VISA SERVICES AT FOREIGN SERVICE POSTS

The following post began nonimmigrant visa services during Fiscal Year 1998: Embassy Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The following post ended nonimmigrant visa services during Fiscal Year 1998: Embassy Dushanbe, Tajikistan.

The following post ended immigrant visa services during Fiscal Year 1998: Consulate General Istanbul, Turkey.

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Table I
Immigrant and Nonimmigrant Visas Issued at Foreign Service Posts
Fiscal Years 1994 – 1998

	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Immigrant Categories					
Immediate Relatives	160,274	125,822	147,883	178,774	147,760
Special Immigrants[1]	1,155	986	890	853	748
Vietnam Amerasian Immigrants	1,257	940	964	835	399
Family-Sponsored Preference	216,819	213,395	207,734	170,785	165,986
Employment-Based Preference	46,632	21,840	22,769	20,898	15,815
Armed Forces Special Immigrants	215	184	42	47	21
AA–1 Diversity Transition[2]	44,419	1,129			
Legalization Beneficiaries' Spouses/Children Transition[3]	32,773				
DV Diversity Immigrants[4]		42,739	43,158	44,727	44,955
Total	503,544	407,035	423,440	416,919	375,684
Nonimmigrant Categories					
Visas Issued	5,551,583	6,134,242	6,193,941	5,904,055	5,805,795
Border Crossing Cards[5]	59,370	47,580	43,929	38,006	8,358
(B1/B2/BCCs)[6]	(532,611)	(543,122)	(361,379)	(387,845)	(289,883)
Total	5,610,953	6,181,822	6,237,870	5,942,061	5,814,153

Note: The totals on this table do not include replaced immigrant visas or transferred nonimmigrant visas.

[1] Special Immigrant totals include returning residents only.

[2] Category established in accordance with Section 132 of P.L. 101–649; visas available for FY–92 through FY–94 only. Section 217 of the Immigration and Nationality Technical Corrections Act of 1994 (P.L. 103–416 enacted October 25, 1994) authorized unused numbers in this class from earlier years to be issued during FY–95.

[3] Category established in accordance with Section 112 of P.L. 101–649; visas available to spouses and children of persons legalized under the three programs established by P.L. 99–603, for FY–92 through FY–94 only.

[4] Section 203(c) of the INA, added by Section 131 of P.L. 101–649, created a new immigrant visa category effective with FY–95 to provide immigration opportunities for persons from countries other than the principal sources of current immigration to the United States.

[5] Border Crossing Cards were issued at posts in Canada and Mexico; issuance ceased in FY–98.

[6] Combination B–1/B–2 visitor visa/Border Crossing Card (B1/B2/BCC) issuance began in FY–84 at posts in Mexico and in FY–92 at posts in Canada; issuance ceased in FY–98 at posts in Canada. Combination B–1/B–2 visitor visa/Border Crossing Cards (B1/B2/BCCs) are included in the "Visas Issued" line.

Table II
Classes of Immigrants Issued Visas at Foreign Service Posts
Fiscal Years 1994 – 1998

Class of Immigrant	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Grand Total	**503,544**	**407,035**	**423,440**	**416,919**	**375,684**
Family-Sponsored Preference Total	**216,819**	**213,395**	**207,734**	**170,785**	**165,986**
First Preference					
Unmarried son or daughter of U.S. citizen, and children	12,957	13,199	15,847	17,185	14,353
Second Preference Exempt from Country Limitations					
Spouse or child of alien resident, and children	68,343	56,523	41,994	32,611	29,796
Spouse or child of alien resident, and children (conditional) [1]	-	-	-	-	-
Second Preference Subject to Country Limitations					
Spouse or child of alien resident, and children	22,292	25,972	30,542	16,777	18,147
Spouse or child of alien resident, and children (conditional) [1]	-	-	-	-	-
Unmarried son or daughter of alien resident, and children	27,267	32,524	33,406	21,368	17,342
Unmarried son or daughter of alien resident, and children (conditional) [1]	-	-	-	-	-
Third Preference					
Married son or daughter of U.S. citizen, spouse and children	22,488	21,661	24,338	22,117	22,385
Married son or daughter of U.S. citizen, spouse and children (conditional) [1]	-	-	-	-	-
Fourth Preference					
Brother or sister of U.S. citizen, spouse and children	63,472	63,516	61,607	60,727	63,763
Employment-Based Preference Total	**46,632**	**21,840**	**22,769**	**20,898**	**15,815**
First Preference					
Priority worker, spouse and children	5,201	3,637	4,173	3,793	3,399
Second Preference					
Professional holding advanced degree or alien of exceptional ability, spouse and children	2,747	1,119	1,246	1,120	991
Third Preference					
Skilled worker or professional, spouse and children	22,585	9,462	10,888	10,068	6,552
Other worker, spouse and children	9,600	4,845	3,382	2,729	2,539
Fourth Preference					
Minister of religion, spouse and children	1,875	874	802	618	532
Certain employees or former employees of the U.S. Government abroad, spouse and children	781	931	996	603	519
Certain former employees of the Panama Canal Company or Canal Zone Government, spouse and children	4	5	12	6	2
Certain former employees of the U.S. Government in the Canal Zone, spouse and children	37	27	33	37	10
Certain former employees of the Panama Canal Company or Canal Zone Government on April 1, 1979, spouse and children	1	-	-	-	-
Spouse and child of certain foreign medical graduates	-	-	-	-	-

Table II
Classes of Immigrants Issued Visas at Foreign Service Posts (Continued)
Fiscal Years 1994 – 1998

Class of Immigrant	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Certain retired international organization employees and spouse, unmarried sons or daughters of international organization employees, surviving spouses of deceased international organization employees	10	8	12	13	14
Certain juvenile court dependents	-	-	-	-	-
Certain religious workers, spouse and children	3,489	588	638	701	725
Fifth Preference					
Employment creation outside targeted area, spouse and children	159	137	186	182	122
Employment creation in targeted rural/high unemployment area, spouse and children	143	207	401	922	241
Investor pilot program not in targeted area, spouse and children [2]	-	-	-	4	3
Investor pilot program in targeted area, spouse and children [2]	-	-	-	102	146
Alien recruited outside the United States who has served or is enlisted to serve in the U.S. Armed Forces for 12 years, spouse and children	215	184	42	47	21
Immediate Relatives Total	160,274	125,822	147,883	178,774 [3]	147,760
Spouse of U.S. citizen	26,039	16,759	20,199	24,680 [3]	19,270
Spouse of U.S. citizen (conditional) [1]	51,351	30,965	32,093	33,042	26,843
Child of U.S. citizen	25,214	24,473	28,556	36,902	30,188
Child of U.S. citizen (conditional) [1]	7,912	7,307	6,121	7,315	6,328
Orphan adopted abroad by U.S. citizen	4,155	5,307	7,151	9,176	10,829
Orphan to be adopted in the U.S. by U.S. citizen	4,178	4,372	4,189	4,445	4,734
Parent of U.S. citizen at least 21 years of age	41,337	36,590	49,477	63,359	49,462
Parent of U.S. citizen who acquired status under the Virgin Islands Nonimmigrant Alien Adjustment Act (P.L. 97-271)	-	-	-	-	-
Certain widow(er)s of U.S. citizens [4]	88	49	85	90	78
Children of certain widow(er)s of U.S. citizens [4]		-	12	5	8
Special Immigrant Total	1,155	986	890	853	748
Returning resident	1,155	986	890	853	748
Certain persons who lost U.S. citizenship by marriage	-	-	-	-	-
Certain persons who lost U.S. citizenship by serving in foreign armed forces	-	-	-	-	-
Vietnam Amerasian Immigrants	1,257	940	964	835	399
DV Diversity Immigrants [5]		42,739	43,158	44,227	44,955
Transition Categories Total	77,192	1,129			
Spouse or child of legalized alien [6]	32,773				
AA-1 Diversity Transition under Section 132 of P.L. 101-649 [7]	44,419	1,129			

Table II
Classes of Immigrants Issued Visas at Foreign Service Posts (Continued)
Fiscal Years 1994 – 1998

[1] P.L. 99-639 (Immigration Marriage Fraud Amendments of 1986) established a conditional immigration status for persons whose basis for immigration is a marriage of the petitioner that was entered into less than 2 years prior to the applicant's admission to the United States as an immigrant.

[2] Section 610 of the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1993 (P.L. 102-395), as amended by Section 116 of the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1998 (P.L. 105-119), modified INA 203(b)(5) by creating a 7-year pilot program effective with October 6, 1992 that sets aside up to 3,000 immigrant visas annually for aliens investing in qualifying regional centers in the United States for the promotion of economic growth.

[3] Includes 1 visa issued under the provisions of Section 204(a)(1)(A)(iii) of the INA (self-petition for immediate relative classification by battered and/or abused spouse of U.S. citizen).

[4] P.L. 101-649 amended Section 201(b) of the INA to make possible an orphan overseas immediate relative status for the widow(er) of a U.S. citizen, if such widow(er) files a petition within 2 years of the citizen's death. P.L. 103-416 expanded this category to include the children of such widow(er).

[5] Section 203(c) of the INA, added by P.L. 101-649, authorizes 55,000 immigrant visa numbers each fiscal year beginning with FY-95 to provide immigration opportunities for persons from countries other than the principal sources of current immigration to the United States.

[6] P.L. 101-649 authorized up to 55,000 immigrant visa numbers for FY-92, FY-93, and FY-94 for spouses and children of persons legalized under the three programs established by P.L. 99-603.

[7] P.L. 101-649 authorized 40,000 immigrant visa numbers for FY-92, FY-93, and FY-94 for natives of certain countries which had been identified as adversely affected for purposes of the Nicaraguan program established under Section 314 of P.L. 99-603. Section 217 of P.L. 103-416 authorized unused numbers in this class from earlier years to be issued during FY-95.

Table III
Immigrant Visas Issued
(by Foreign State of Chargeability or Place of Birth)
Fiscal Year 1998

Foreign State	Immediate Relatives	Returning Residents and Armed Forces Special Immigrants	Family Preference	Employment Preference	Diversity Immigrants	Total
Africa						
Algeria	71	3	11	15	490	590
Angola	4	0	17	7	0	28
Benin	19	0	1	0	23	43
Botswana	4	0	1	0	0	5
Burkina Faso	0	1	0	0	1	2
Burundi	5	0	0	0	2	7
Cameroon	184	0	20	30	346	580
Cape Verde	287	4	363	11	34	689
Central African Republic	1	0	0	0	0	1
Chad	1	0	0	0	1	2
Comoros	0	0	0	0	0	0
Congo, Republic of the	2	0	2	0	3	7
Congo, Democratic Republic of the	52	0	15	17	79	163
Cote d'Ivoire	45	0	9	4	69	127
Djibouti	4	0	0	0	8	12
Egypt	986	30	1,123	101	1,712	3,952
Equatorial Guinea	2	1	0	0	2	5
Eritrea	126	3	34	6	348	517
Ethiopia	991	11	122	25	2,086	3,225
Gabon	7	0	0	0	2	9
Gambia	21	0	2	0	6	29
Ghana	945	2	383	29	1,775	3,134
Guinea	24	0	1	5	29	59
Guinea-Bissau	6	0	3	0	0	9
Kenya	99	0	293	20	714	1,126
Lesotho	2	0	0	0	0	2
Liberia	354	5	112	19	622	1,112
Libya	64	0	18	2	40	124
Madagascar	6	0	3	3	3	15
Malawi	7	1	9	0	14	31
Mali	8	0	1	3	6	18
Mauritania	2	0	0	0	4	6
Mauritius	3	0	3	1	18	25
Morocco	478	0	95	18	1,190	1,781
Mozambique	7	0	15	3	0	25
Namibia	5	0	0	0	2	7
Niger	3	0	0	0	2	5
Nigeria	1,888	2	322	272	2,885	5,369
Rwanda	6	0	0	0	13	19
Sao Tome and Principe	1	0	1	0	0	2
Senegal	77	0	17	5	75	174
Seychelles	3	0	0	0	0	3
Sierra Leone	153	0	21	10	448	632
Somalia	91	0	30	7	284	412
South Africa	212	6	202	203	364	987
Sudan	85	1	5	26	853	970

Table III
Immigrant Visas Issued (Continued)
(by Foreign State of Chargeability or Place of Birth)
Fiscal Year 1998

Foreign State	Immediate Relatives	Returning Residents and Armed Forces Special Immigrants	Family Preference	Employment Preference	Diversity Immigrants	Total
Africa--Continued						
Swaziland	33	0	0	0	0	33
Tanzania	338	22	125	12	91	268
Togo	77	0	22	8	238	255
Tunisia	56	0	6	3	65	130
Uganda	336	0	162	77	86	291
Zambia	18	0	59	6	65	148
Zimbabwe	25	5	26	9	11	76
Region Total for Africa	7,454	67	3,634	877	15,809	27,841
Asia						
Afghanistan	387	0	160	20	50	617
Bahrain	33	0	29	0	0	32
Bangladesh	2,915	2	2,315	162	2,970	8,364
Bhutan	1	0	0	0	0	1
Brunei	1	0	7	0	1	9
Burma	180	7	910	19	221	1,337
Cambodia	918	0	252	1	10	1,181
China--mainland born	10,597	24	14,973	2,182	0	27,776
Taiwan born	830	13	4,883	668	0	6,394
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region	306	3	3,126	258	188	3,881
India	8,686	157	15,586	863	0	25,292
Indonesia	299	9	287	47	99	741
Iran	2,876	11	2,115	134	322	5,458
Iraq	507	2	462	66	35	1,072
Israel	475	20	186	98	34	813
Japan	1,488	12	109	394	233	2,216
Jordan	1,231	3	946	44	55	2,279
Korea, North	21	0	53	1	0	75
Korea, South	3,267	23	4,296	845	0	8,431
Kuwait	187	0	191	18	6	402
Laos	162	3	79	12	9	265
Lebanon	1,111	5	1,210	96	38	2,460
Malaysia	147	2	187	42	22	400
Maldives	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mongolia	4	0	0	0	9	13
Nepal	61	0	69	37	154	321
Oman	2	0	6	5	0	13
Pakistan	4,325	21	4,134	220	1,614	10,314
Philippines	11,572	68	13,193	1,119	0	25,953
Qatar	11	0	8	0	2	21
Saudi Arabia	92	3	49	10	14	168
Singapore	77	2	51	19	3	152
Sri Lanka	180	1	190	70	284	725

Table III
Immigrant Visas Issued (Continued)
(by Foreign State of Chargeability or Place of Birth)
Fiscal Year 1998

Foreign State	Immediate Relatives	Returning Residents and Armed Forces Special Immigrants	Family Preference	Employment Preference	Diversity Immigrants	Total
Asia–Continued						
Syria	713	7	839	90	45	1,694
Thailand	644	34	564	54	54	1,350
United Arab Emirates	34	0	160	9	8	211
Vietnam	4,201	1	6,373	44	0	11,017 [1]
Yemen	1,028	0	288	6	31	1,353
Region Total for Asia	**59,519**	**433**	**78,286**	**7,653**	**6,511**	**152,801** [1]
Europe						
Albania	248	0	404	16	3,673	4,341
Andorra	0	0	0	0	0	0
Armenia	108	0	18	50	383	559
Austria	93	3	13	23	68	200
Azerbaijan	48	3	5	23	181	260
Belarus	95	1	11	15	327	449
Belgium	117	0	8	16	24	165
Bosnia and Herzegovina	47	2	12	5	30	96
Bulgaria	271	1	22	42	3,379	3,715
Croatia	66	2	19	5	58	150
Cyprus	43	0	12	3	9	67
Czech Republic	135	2	10	9	49	205
Denmark	138	3	7	23	33	204
Greenland	1	0	0	0	0	1
Estonia	42	0	0	0	8	50
Finland	78	4	6	17	61	166
France	448	4	160	107	198	917
French Guiana	1	0	0	0	0	1
French Polynesia	1	0	0	2	0	3
French Southern and Antarctic Lands	0	0	0	0	0	0
Guadeloupe	10	0	7	1	0	18
Martinique	6	0	1	1	0	8
New Caledonia	1	1	1	0	0	3
Reunion	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Pierre and Miquelon	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wallis and Futuna	0	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia	26	0	1	29	108	164
Germany	1,959	7	176	271	991	3,404
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1,476	18	740	650	0	2,884
Anguilla	4	0	14	0	0	18
Bermuda	26	0	14	1	0	41
British Virgin Islands	7	0	3	0	0	10
Cayman Islands	1	0	1	2	0	4
Falkland Islands	0	0	1	0	0	1
Gibraltar	0	0	0	0	0	0

Table III
Immigrant Visas Issued (Continued)
(by Foreign State of Chargeability or Place of Birth)
Fiscal Year 1998

Foreign State	Immediate Relatives	Returning Residents and Armed Forces Special Immigrants	Family Preference	Employment Preference	Diversity Immigrants	Total
Europe–Continued						
Montserrat	9	0	37	2	0	48
Pitcairn	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Helena	0	0	0	0	0	0
Turks and Caicos Islands	4	0	3	1	0	8
Northern Ireland (DV only)	0	0	0	0	47	47
Greece	293	19	151	18	16	497
Hungary	221	2	31	29	128	411
Iceland	24	2	13	5	21	65
Ireland	130	9	17	24	297	477
Italy	405	18	163	89	178	853
Kazakhstan	112	0	2	12	239	365
Kyrgyzstan	23	1	0	0	44	68
Latvia	107	0	4	5	85	201
Liechtenstein	1	0	0	0	0	1
Lithuania	163	1	4	12	864	1,044
Luxembourg	4	0	0	0	0	4
Macedonia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of	241	0	152	21	202	616
Malta	29	1	16	1	3	50
Moldova	84	1	3	11	148	247
Monaco	0	0	0	0	0	0
Netherlands	196	5	17	51	41	310
Aruba	3	0	3	0	0	6
Netherlands Antilles	9	0	10	3	0	22
Norway	138	0	5	6	26	175
Poland	991	15	3,716	475	0	5,197
Portugal	200	10	645	66	31	952
Macau	14	2	148	6	37	207
Romania	1,094	6	319	102	2,862	4,383
Russia	5,233	6	46	229	1,386	6,900
San Marino	0	0	0	0	0	0
Serbia-Montenegro [2]	372	3	188	23	329	915
Slovakia	59	1	11	14	182	267
Slovenia	7	0	5	4	3	19
Spain	280	7	42	32	35	396
Western Sahara	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sweden	251	7	24	39	96	417
Switzerland	180	4	32	29	241	486
Tajikistan	4	0	0	1	28	33
Turkey	549	6	192	145	1,318	2,210
Turkmenistan	9	0	0	1	40	50
Ukraine	664	0	54	92	2,315	3,125
Uzbekistan	49	0	7	23	223	302
Vatican City	0	0	0	0	0	0
Region Total for Europe	**17,648**	**177**	**7,726**	**2,882**	**21,845**	**49,478**

Table III
Immigrant Visas Issued (Continued)
(by Foreign State of Chargeability or Place of Birth)
Fiscal Year 1998

Foreign State	Immediate Relatives	Returning Residents and Armed Forces Special Immigrants	Family Preference	Employment Preference	Diversity Immigrants	Total
North America						
Antigua and Barbuda	50	0	143	0	0	193
Bahamas	54	0	34	4	6	98
Barbados	150	3	242	24	3	422
Belize	96	0	126	4	2	228
Canada	842	4	789	985	0	2,620
Costa Rica	324	1	127	22	2	476
Cuba	730	1	1,169	37	875	2,812
Dominica	183	0	299	13	13	508
Dominican Republic	6,255	6	9,203	87	0	15,551
El Salvador	4,514	1	2,232	614	0	7,361
Grenada	166	0	233	25	4	428
Guatemala	2,326	3	1,302	164	3	3,798
Haiti	4,283	8	5,496	87	58	9,932
Honduras	2,093	0	1,436	105	28	3,662
Jamaica	3,914	2	5,642	252	0	9,810
Mexico	22,273	1	34,275	450	0	56,999
Nicaragua	518	0	333	51	11	913
Panama	768	1	252	81	4	1,106
Saint Kitts and Nevis	66	0	236	2	2	306
Saint Lucia	116	0	207	17	3	343
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	104	0	134	15	3	256
Trinidad and Tobago	780	6	1,334	185	133	2,438
Region Total for North America	**50,685**	**37**	**65,244**	**3,224**	**1,150**	**120,260**
Oceania						
Australia	513	7	38	35	88	681
Christmas Island	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cocos Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fiji	194	1	1,008	20	457	1,680
Kiribati	2	0	0	0	0	2
Marshall Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0
Micronesia, Federated States of	1	0	0	0	0	1
Nauru	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Zealand	176	8	17	25	66	292
Cook Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0
Niue	0	0	0	0	0	0
Palau	1	0	0	0	0	1
Papua New Guinea	3	0	0	1	1	5
Samoa	36	0	9	0	0	45
Solomon Islands	2	0	0	0	0	2
Tonga	27	0	75	4	16	122
Tuvalu	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vanuatu	0	0	4	0	0	4

Table III
Immigrant Visas Issued (Continued)
(by Foreign State of Chargeability or Place of Birth)
Fiscal Year 1998

Foreign State	Immediate Relatives	Returning Residents and Armed Forces Special Immigrants	Family Preference	Employment Preference	Diversity Immigrants	Total
Oceania--Continued						
Region Total for Oceania	**955**	**16**	**1,151**	**85**	**628**	**2,835**
South America						
Argentina	170	0	94	80	35	379
Bolivia	354	4	197	106	12	673
Brazil	653	1	289	131	77	1,151
Chile	277	4	194	21	5	501
Colombia	3,826	9	2,415	125	0	6,375
Ecuador	2,002	3	2,292	230	77	4,604
Guyana	676	4	1,867	58	26	2,631
Paraguay	73	1	24	16	6	120
Peru	3,026	10	2,343	236	218	5,833
Suriname	27	0	20	1	1	49
Uruguay	61	3	50	6	1	121
Venezuela	434	0	160	84	54	732
Region Total for South America	**11,579**	**39**	**9,945**	**1,094**	**512**	**23,169**
Grand Totals	**147,760**	**769**	**165,986**	**15,815**	**44,955**	**375,684** [1]

[1] Includes visas issued under the Vietnam Amerasian category. During FY-1998, 399 such visas were issued; the foreign state breakdown is: Philippines 1, and Vietnam 398.

[2] Serbia and Montenegro have proclaimed the formation of a joint independent state, but this entity has not been formally recognized by the United States.

Table IV
Summary of Visas Issued by Issuing Office
Fiscal Year 1998

Issuing Office	Immigrant Visas			Nonimmigrant Visas	
	Issued	Replaced	Total	Issued[1]	Border Crossing Cards and Combination B1/B2/BCC
Department of State--Visa Office	0	0	0	37,998	0
U.S. Mission to the United Nations	0	0	0	5,125	0
Africa					
Angola, Luanda	0	0	0	2,648	0
Benin, Cotonou	20	0	20	702	0
Botswana, Gaborone	0	0	0	1,937	0
Burkina Faso, Ouagadougou	1	0	1	1,223	0
Burundi, Bujumbura	0	0	0	177	0
Cameroon, Yaounde	449	1	450	2,106	0
Cape Verde, Praia	664	0	664	2,614	0
Chad, N'Djamena	0	0	0	600	0
Congo, Democratic Republic of the, Kinshasa	110	3	113	1,723	0
Cote d'Ivoire, Abidjan	617	2	619	5,813	0
Djibouti, Djibouti	36	0	36	944	0
Eritrea, Asmara	0	0	0	736	0
Ethiopia, Addis Ababa	3,206	9	3,215	4,088	0
Gabon, Libreville	9	0	9	1,609	0
Gambia, Banjul	0	0	0	1,399	0
Ghana, Accra	3,277	2	3,279	10,188	0
Guinea, Conakry	0	0	0	6,103	0
Guinea-Bissau, Bissau	0	0	0	116	0
Kenya, Nairobi	1,081	3	1,084	9,804	0
Lesotho, Maseru	0	0	0	437	0
Liberia, Monrovia	850	3	853	2,804	0
Madagascar, Antananarivo	13	0	13	633	0
Malawi, Lilongwe	19	0	19	1,089	0
Mali, Bamako	0	0	0	2,253	0
Mauritania, Nouakchott	0	0	0	502	0
Mauritius, Port Louis	0	0	0	1,614	0
Mozambique, Maputo	0	0	0	872	0
Namibia, Windhoek	0	0	0	827	0
Niger, Niamey	2	0	2	1,066	0
Nigeria, Lagos	5,248	11	5,259	22,453	0
Rwanda, Kigali	0	0	0	1,118	0
Senegal, Dakar	335	0	335	6,675	0
South Africa, Cape Town	0	0	0	16,522	0
Durban	0	0	0	9,993	0
Johannesburg	1,105	5	1,110	44,629	0
Pretoria	0	0	0	585	0
Swaziland, Mbabane	0	0	0	376	0
Tanzania, Dar Es Salaam	127	0	127	2,801	0
Togo, Lome	262	2	264	1,028	0
Uganda, Kampala	0	0	0	2,927	0
Zambia, Lusaka	132	1	133	2,544	0
Zimbabwe, Harare	98	0	98	5,610	0

Table IV
Summary of Visas Issued by Issuing Office (Continued)
Fiscal Year 1998

Issuing Office	Immigrant Visas			Nonimmigrant Visas	
	Issued	Replaced	Total	Issued[1]	Border Crossing Cards and Combination B1/B2/BCC
Africa--Continued					
Region Total for Africa	**17,661**	**42**	**17,703**	**183,088**	**0**
American Republics					
Argentina, Buenos Aires	563	0	563	14,223	0
Bahamas, Nassau	126	0	126	25,018	0
Barbados, Bridgetown	2,592	0	2,592	39,614	0
Belize, Belize City	220	2	222	7,468	0
Bolivia, La Paz	661	18	679	13,929	0
Brazil, Brasilia	0	0	0	49,114	0
Recife	0	0	0	21,530	0
Rio de Janeiro	1,172	0	1,172	159,067	0
Sao Paulo	0	0	0	262,806	0
Chile, Santiago	487	8	495	53,978	0
Colombia, Bogota	6,248	0	6,248	231,145	0
Costa Rica, San Jose	558	2	560	58,257	0
Cuba, Havana	2,637	40	2,677	8,078	0
Dominican Republic, Santo Domingo	15,556	0	15,556	60,746	0
Ecuador, Guayaquil	4,587	0	4,587	31,090	0
Quito	0	0	0	35,420	0
El Salvador, San Salvador	7,325	0	7,325	55,177	0
Guatemala, Guatemala City	3,803	0	3,803	55,362	0
Guyana, Georgetown	2,211	3	2,214	6,650	0
Haiti, Port-au-Prince	9,838	0	9,838	14,976	0
Honduras, Tegucigalpa	3,661	3	3,664	31,347	0
Jamaica, Kingston	9,579	16	9,595	49,373	0
Mexico, Ciudad Juarez	57,057	0	57,057	126,142	77,964
Guadalajara	0	0	0	64,777	0
Hermosillo	0	0	0	48,868	14,633
Matamoros	0	0	0	26,969	9,196
Merida	0	0	0	16,443	7,952
Mexico City	0	0	0	244,798	85,088
Monterrey	0	0	0	151,091	45,016
Tijuana	0	0	0	69,541	35,586
Nicaragua, Managua	854	0	854	18,077	0
Panama, Panama City	1,224	3	1,227	20,577	0
Paraguay, Asuncion	167	0	167	7,720	0
Peru, Lima	5,755	0	5,755	50,488	0
Suriname, Paramaribo	100	0	100	3,351	0
Trinidad and Tobago, Port of Spain	2,414	1	2,415	44,548	0
Uruguay, Montevideo	106	0	106	21,436	0
Venezuela, Caracas	1,008	0	1,008	108,559	0
Region Total for American Republics	**140,589**	**96**	**140,685**	**2,307,753**	**275,435**

Table IV
Summary of Visas Issued by Issuing Office (Continued)
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Issuing Office	Immigrant Visas			Nonimmigrant Visas	
	Issued	Replaced	Total	Issued[1]	Border Crossing Cards and Combination BB/BCC
East Asia and Pacific					
Australia, Canberra	0	0	0	3,149	0
Melbourne	0	0	0	8,798	0
Perth	98	0	98	2,774	0
Sydney	981	0	981	17,840	0
Brunei, Bandar Seri Begawan	0	0	0	1,324	0
Burma, Rangoon	982	0	982	3,302	0
Cambodia, Phnom Penh	1,048	0	1,048	195	0
China, Beijing	0	0	0	112,766	0
Chengdu	0	0	0	12,527	0
Guangzhou	23,787	38	23,825	29,898	0
Shanghai	0	0	0	51,347	0
Shenyang	0	0	0	15,037	0
Fiji, Suva	1,722	0	1,722	6,084	0
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, Hong Kong	7,444	597	8,041	119,353	0
Indonesia, Jakarta	627	12	639	27,791	0
Surabaya	0	0	0	6,949	0
Japan, Naha	298	1	299	1,028	0
Osaka-Kobe	0	0	0	45,734	0
Tokyo	2,543	5	2,548	91,849	0
Korea, Seoul	8,148	2	8,150	355,378	0
Laos, Vientiane	212	0	212	1,117	0
Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur	401	1	402	29,150	0
Marshall Islands, Majuro	0	0	0	966	0
Micronesia, Federated States of, Kolonia	0	0	0	178	0
Mongolia, Ulaanbaatar	0	0	0	2,156	0
New Zealand, Auckland	469	4	473	11,811	0
Palau, Koror	0	0	0	193	0
Papua New Guinea, Port Moresby	24	0	24	1,432	0
Philippines, Manila	24,972	0	24,972	124,105	0
Singapore, Singapore	300	0	300	62,584	0
Thailand, Bangkok	1,335	0	1,335	33,172	0
Chiang Mai	0	0	0	1,398	0
Orderly Departure Program, Bangkok [2]	9,742	0	9,742	0	0
Vietnam, Hanoi	0	0	0	5,070	0
Taipei [3]	7,471	0	7,471	252,235	0
Region Total for East Asia and Pacific	**92,604**	**660**	**93,264**	**1,438,490**	**0**
Europe and Canada					
Albania, Tirana	3,910	0	3,910	2,694	0
Armenia, Yerevan	0	0	0	5,133	0
Austria, Vienna	293	0	293	11,300	0

Table IV
Summary of Visas Issued by Issuing Office (Continued)
Fiscal Year 1998

Issuing Office	Immigrant Visas			Nonimmigrant Visas	
	Issued	Replaced	Total	Issued[1]	Border Crossing Cards and Combination B1/B2/BCC
Europe and Canada--Continued					
Azerbaijan, Baku	0	0	0	1,679	0
Belarus, Minsk	0	0	0	5,561	0
Belgium, Brussels	293	6	299	10,802	0
Bermuda, Hamilton	61	0	61	2,024	0
Bosnia and Herzegovina, Sarajevo	0	0	0	39	0
Bulgaria, Sofia	3,772	32	3,804	13,963	0
Canada, Calgary	0	0	0	7,303	1,055
Halifax	0	0	0	1,777	21
Montreal	5,582	0	5,582	14,334	1,967
Ottawa	0	0	0	6,495	265
Quebec	0	0	0	2,096	55
Toronto	0	0	0	41,709	10,674
Vancouver	0	0	0	29,443	8,769
Croatia, Zagreb	170	1	171	16,366	0
Cyprus, Nicosia	466	2	468	8,129	0
Czech Republic, Prague	448	3	451	48,982	0
Denmark, Copenhagen	209	0	209	12,029	0
Estonia, Tallinn	0	0	0	5,451	0
Finland, Helsinki	216	0	216	6,522	0
France, Marseille	0	0	0	6,844	0
Paris	1,393	2	1,395	49,068	0
Georgia, Tbilisi	0	0	0	5,405	0
Germany, Berlin	0	0	0	28,177	0
Bonn	0	0	0	20,683	0
Frankfurt	4,712	6	4,718	47,708	0
Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Belfast	0	0	0	2,629	0
London	4,190	1	4,191	119,208	0
Greece, Athens	878	4	882	39,180	0
Hungary, Budapest	395	0	395	39,818	0
Iceland, Reykjavik	70	0	70	2,482	0
Ireland, Dublin	469	0	469	15,912	0
Italy, Milan	0	0	0	15,901	0
Naples	1,361	4	1,365	3,190	0
Rome	0	0	0	9,374	0
Kazakhstan, Almaty	0	0	0	4,423	0
Kyrgyzstan, Bishkek	0	0	0	1,633	0
Latvia, Riga	0	0	0	8,207	0
Lithuania, Vilnius	0	0	0	6,636	0
Luxembourg, Luxembourg	0	0	0	1,399	0
Macedonia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of, Skopje	0	0	0	4,367	0
Malta, Valletta	94	0	94	4,952	0
Moldova, Chisinau	0	0	0	1,527	0
Netherlands, Amsterdam	393	0	393	19,953	0
Norway, Oslo	209	1	210	9,404	0
Poland, Krakow	0	0	0	29,423	0

Table IV
Summary of Visas Issued by Issuing Office (Continued)
Fiscal Year 1998

Issuing Office	Immigrant Visas: Issued	Immigrant Visas: Replaced	Immigrant Visas: Total	Nonimmigrant Visas: Issued[1]	Nonimmigrant Visas: Border Crossing Cards and Combination B1/B2/BCC
Europe and Canada–Continued					
Warsaw	9,546	7	9,553	55,887	0
Portugal, Lisbon	618	1	619	32,214	0
Ponta Delgada	318	0	318	4,243	0
Romania, Bucharest	4,401	12	4,413	22,322	0
Russia, Moscow	8,081	43	8,124	99,668	0
St. Petersburg	0	0	0	14,830	0
Vladivostok	0	0	0	10,912	0
Yekaterinburg	0	0	0	6,313	0
Serbia-Montenegro, Belgrade	1,485	12	1,497	11,978	0
Slovakia, Bratislava	0	0	0	13,633	0
Slovenia, Ljubljana	0	0	0	2,284	0
Spain, Madrid	474	0	474	22,247	0
Sweden, Stockholm	577	1	578	20,324	0
Switzerland, Bern	712	1	713	30,043	0
Tajikistan, Dushanbe	0	0	0	51	0
Turkey, Ankara	1,923	0	1,923	22,194	0
Istanbul	2,796	6	2,802	33,918	0
Turkmenistan, Ashgabat	0	0	0	525	0
Ukraine, Kiev	0	0	0	21,158	0
Uzbekistan, Tashkent	0	0	0	3,933	0
Region Total for Europe and Canada	**60,515**	**145**	**60,660**	**1,180,011**	**22,086**
Near East					
Algeria, Algiers	58	1	59	2,631	0
Bahrain, Manama	100	0	100	4,305	0
Egypt, Cairo	4,224	0	4,224	37,226	0
Israel, Tel Aviv	1,208	1	1,209	113,368	0
Jerusalem	718	1	719	16,875	0
Jordan, Amman	2,927	0	2,927	11,098	0
Kuwait, Kuwait	279	0	279	23,285	0
Lebanon, Beirut	0	0	0	4,751	0
Morocco, Casablanca	1,704	4	1,708	15,645	0
Oman, Muscat	115	0	115	4,359	0
Qatar, Doha	119	0	119	5,519	0
Saudi Arabia, Jeddah	0	0	0	24,476	0
Riyadh	1,167	2	1,169	40,552	0
Syria, Damascus	3,374	1	3,375	11,467	0
Tunisia, Tunis	550	0	550	7,775	0
United Arab Emirates, Abu Dhabi	2,158	2	2,160	15,086	0
Abu Dhabi–Beirut Files[4]	151	0	151	0	0
Dubai	0	0	0	16,465	0
Yemen, Sanaa	1,469	0	1,469	2,158	0

Table IV
Summary of Visas Issued by Issuing Office (Continued)
Fiscal Year 1998

Issuing Office	Immigrant Visas			Nonimmigrant Visas	
	Issued	Replacement	Total	Issued[1]	Border Crossing Cards and Combination B1/B2/BCC
Near East--Continued					
Region Total for Near East	28,321	12	28,333	357,041	0
South Asia					
Bangladesh, Dhaka	8,204	4	8,208	11,286	0
India, Calcutta	80	0	80	12,515	0
Chennai (Madras)	4,369	0	4,369	78,968	0
Mumbai (Bombay)	12,486	48	12,534	89,802	0
New Delhi	7,487	0	7,487	67,188	0
Nepal, Kathmandu	360	3	363	6,892	0
Pakistan, Islamabad	10,472	5	10,477	31,016	0
Sri Lanka, Colombo	616	2	618	7,780	0
Region Total for South Asia	44,074	62	44,136	305,847	0
Grand Totals	375,684	1,017	376,701	5,814,153	208,241

[1] Figures include BCC and B1/B2/BCC nonimmigrant visa issuances.

[2] Orderly Departure Program for residents of Vietnam.

[3] The Taipei office of the American Institute in Taiwan, although an unofficial instrumentality, has been authorized to process visa applications for residents of Taiwan.

[4] Beirut immigrant visa files are temporarily located at American Embassy Abu Dhabi.

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Table V (Part I)
Immigrant Visas Issued and Adjustments of Status
Subject to Numerical Limitations
Fiscal Year 1998

Region/State	Family Preferences								Employment Preferences			
	1st	2A Exempt	2A Subject	2A Total	2B	3rd	4th	Family Pref. Total	1st	2nd	3rd	3rd Other Workers
Africa												
Algeria	64	10	11	11	11	66	22	184	380	221	389	11
Angola	10	10	44	44	111	10	55	220	44	10	66	44
Benin	10	10	10	10	10	11	10	11	44	10	22	10
Botswana	10	10	11	11	10	10	10	11	10	10	10	10
Burkina Faso	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	11	10
Burundi	10	10	10	10	10	10	11	11	10	44	10	10
Cameroon	99	33	99	132	10	10	66	227	111	133	197	11
Cape Verde	338	55	996	1101	1150	111	777	3377	10	10	22	88
Central African Republic	10	11	10	11	10	33	10	44	10	10	10	10
Chad	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Comoros	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Congo, Republic of the	11	11	10	11	10	10	10	22	11	10	10	10
Congo, Dem. Rep. of the	66	44	11	55	10	10	88	189	55	133	55	11
Cote d'Ivoire	10	10	33	33	11	66	10	110	88	33	99	10
Djibouti	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	11	10	10
Egypt	441	99	599	698	667	1102	9908	11,186	776	1121	2217	111
Equatorial Guinea	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Eritrea	144	11	185	196	55	10	44	399	10	11	55	10
Ethiopia	499	88	442	530	223	110	225	1157	184	189	441	88
Gabon	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	11
Gambia	33	10	22	22	11	10	10	66	22	10	99	66
Ghana	2203	222	775	997	841	330	667	4438	189	668	330	225
Guinea	44	10	10	10	10	10	10	44	44	11	88	10
Guinea-Bissau	11	10	22	22	10	10	10	33	10	10	22	11
Kenya	189	44	99	133	99	223	2248	3312	334	331	480	33
Lesotho	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	11	10	10	10
Liberia	1110	55	110	165	88	111	112	1586	88	22	184	66
Libya	33	11	66	77	10	88	44	222	44	11	44	10
Madagascar	11	10	10	10	10	10	22	33	33	11	44	10
Malawi	10	10	11	11	10	10	88	99	44	11	11	10
Mali	11	10	11	11	10	10	10	22	10	10	66	10
Mauritania	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	11	10	10
Mauritius	10	10	10	10	10	10	44	44	22	66	33	11
Morocco	77	66	330	396	227	88	228	1806	226	223	669	88
Mozambique	10	10	10	10	33	11	111	155	22	11	110	11
Namibia	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	33	10	10	10
Niger	11	10	22	22	10	10	10	33	10	55	22	22
Nigeria	1172	333	779	1112	335	118	445	3182	189	201	201	118
Rwanda	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	11	10
Sao Tome and Principe	10	10	10	10	11	10	10	11	10	10	10	10
Senegal	33	33	99	132	10	44	10	219	22	44	111	10
Seychelles	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	11	10	10
Sierra Leone	333	111	33	144	55	66	77	685	22	66	444	222

Table V (Part II)
Immigrant Visas Issued and Adjustments of Status
Subject to Numerical Limitations
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Employment Preferences

Region/state	2nd Total	4th	4th Certain Religious Workers	4th Total	5th Employ. Creation	5th Target Employ. Area	5th Regional Dist. Program	5th Regional Target Area	5th Total	Employment Preference Total	Grand Total
Africa											
Algeria	40	5	5	10	0	0	0	0	0	801	815
Angola	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	84	94
Benin	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	7	8
Botswana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Burkina Faso	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Burundi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	5
Cameroon	18	15	14	29	0	0	0	0	0	71	98
Cape Verde	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	80	387
Central African Republic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Chad	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Comoros	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Congo, Republic of the	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3
Congo, Dem. Rep. of the	6	9	10	19	0	6	0	0	6	499	688
Cote d'Ivoire	9	3	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	24	34
Djibouti	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Egypt	228	12	62	74	0	0	0	0	0	489	1,085
Equatorial Guinea	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eritrea	5	6	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	12	51
Ethiopia	49	31	11	42	0	0	0	0	0	124	281
Gabon	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Gambia	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	23
Ghana	55	15	18	33	0	0	0	0	0	175	613
Guinea	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	17
Guinea-Bissau	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	6
Kenya	43	18	19	37	1	0	0	0	1	146	488
Lesotho	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Liberia	20	17	15	32	0	0	0	0	0	62	288
Libya	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	31
Madagascar	4	0	2	2	1	0	0	0	1	11	44
Malawi	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	15
Mali	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	8
Mauritania	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Mauritius	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	16
Morocco	77	7	14	21	1	0	0	0	1	148	254
Mozambique	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	29
Namibia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
Niger	4	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	12	15
Nigeria	219	107	81	188	0	0	0	0	0	697	1,079
Rwanda	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Sao Tome and Principe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Senegal	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	36
Seychelles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Sierra Leone	66	3	7	10	0	0	0	0	0	84	169

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	Family Preferences								Employment Preferences			
Region/State	1st	2A Exempt	2A Subject	2A Total	2B	3rd	4th	Family Pref. Total	1st	2nd	3rd	3rd Other Workers
Africa--Continued												
Somalia	22	11	99	110	33	00	197	332	00	33	00	00
South Africa	189	11	55	66	99	33	199	226	321	884	358	33
Sudan	11	00	11	11	44	00	66	122	77	333	99	33
Swaziland	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	11	00	00	00
Tanzania	88	11	33	44	110	33	166	331	166	166	224	00
Togo	22	00	11	11	00	00	00	33	44	11	55	55
Tunisia	00	22	22	44	00	00	33	77	197	88	55	00
Uganda	55	44	22	66	22	44	1681	1778	184	186	222	22
Zambia	33	22	33	55	00	112	444	664	111	111	221	00
Zimbabwe	33	00	33	33	11	00	220	227	221	22	337	11
Region Total for Africa	**7366**	**1128**	**4089**	**6617**	**4417**	**3300**	**13,008**	**44,008**	**7779**	**7723**	**13,884**	**1842**
Asia												
Afghanistan	399	11	333	344	220	486	22	881	22	66	333	55
Bahrain	11	00	22	22	00	00	227	330	77	55	44	00
Bangladesh	1180	220	884	1904	1193	993	1,075	2,375	665	1488	3447	220
Bhutan	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
Brunei	11	00	00	00	11	00	66	88	11	11	66	00
Burma	443	44	227	331	997	997	6662	9330	77	228	117	99
Cambodia	556	77	116	223	114	1115	1124	3332	11	11	113	00
China--mainland born	5512	4975	1,043	1,518	1,882	2,969	8,334	15,215	3,680	3,009	2,340	241
--PRC nationals adjusting under CSPA	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	33	00
--Taiwan born	3304	497	1135	1632	4494	4469	3,814	5,283	1,012	807	978	111
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region	1124	112	991	1103	3321	3349	2,354	3,251	283	1179	1360	1113
India	5524	2236	2,136	2,372	1,026	2,244	9,888	16,034	1,827	4,327	3,240	1143
Indonesia	118	224	225	449	119	224	1207	1317	133	117	190	226
Iran	1177	463	1165	2228	1421	2213	1,378	2,417	1136	1882	5563	445
Iraq	599	111	228	229	777	1178	1464	1807	77	449	777	111
Israel	556	77	111	118	222	550	1113	1259	2230	992	1327	229
Japan	220	224	664	888	77	116	335	1186	1,176	1842	1651	224
Jordan	1463	118	1200	2218	1131	2216	4414	1,042	136	161	1998	177
Korea, North	111	00	00	00	111	00	551	553	00	00	00	00
Korea, South	2240	1128	1183	1311	1386	4458	3,568	4,963	1928	1177	2,281	1788
Kuwait	133	113	1463	1776	131	154	1441	1235	144	119	155	10
Laos	1337	116	155	1111	1111	2224	1189	1802	111	100	118	111
Lebanon	1139	1116	1157	1173	1245	1239	1601	1,397	1142	1188	1234	1133
Malaysia	115	111	118	129	115	19	1149	1217	164	166	1208	128
Maldives	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
Mongolia	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	33	111	00

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	Employment Preferences										
Foreign State	3rd Total	4th	4th Certain Religious Workers	4th Total	5th Employ. Creation	5th Target Employ. Areas	5th Regional Pilot Program	5th Regional Target Areas	5th Total	Employment Preference Total	Grand Total
Africa–Continued											
Somalia	0	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	8	40
South Africa	361	33	37	70	1	0	0	0	1	837	1,063
Sudan	12	8	1	9	0	0	0	0	0	61	73
Swaziland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Tanzania	24	1	11	12	0	0	0	0	0	68	199
Togo	10	3	3	6	0	0	0	0	0	21	24
Tunisia	5	1	1	2	1	0	0	0	1	33	40
Uganda	24	5	4	9	2	0	0	0	2	65	243
Zambia	21	11	4	15	4	0	0	0	4	62	126
Zimbabwe	38	4	2	6	0	0	0	0	0	67	94
Region Total for Africa	**1,426**	**321**	**326**	**647**	**11**	**6**	**0**	**0**	**17**	**3,583**	**7,671**
Asia											
Afghanistan	38	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	48	229
Bahrain	4	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	18	48
Bangladesh	367	41	27	68	2	0	0	0	2	670	3,045
Bhutan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brunei	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	16
Burma	26	4	5	9	0	0	0	0	0	70	1,000
Cambodia	13	4	6	10	1	0	0	0	1	26	358
China–mainland born	2,581	36	30	66	25	41	0	6	72	9,408	24,623
–PRC nationals adjusting under CSPA	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
–Taiwan born	989	49	96	145	111	176	5	102	394	3,347	8,610
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region	473	30	8	38	6	20	0	0	26	979	4,230
India	3,383	171	267	438	8	9	0	0	17	9,792	25,826
Indonesia	116	11	7	18	6	2	0	0	8	192	509
Iran	608	1	5	6	1	1	0	0	2	934	3,351
Iraq	78	2	10	12	0	0	0	0	0	146	653
Israel	356	32	75	107	2	1	0	0	3	788	1,047
Japan	675	38	43	81	6	8	0	7	21	2,095	2,261
Jordan	105	6	16	22	0	1	0	0	1	225	1,267
Korea, North	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	54
Korea, South	3,069	404	993	1,397	9	96	0	22	127	5,698	10,661
Kuwait	55	1	4	5	0	0	0	0	0	93	328
Laos	9	5	7	12	0	0	0	0	0	22	124
Lebanon	287	19	8	27	0	1	0	0	1	445	1,842
Malaysia	236	9	7	16	2	0	0	0	2	384	601
Maldives	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mongolia	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4

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Foreign State	Family Preferences								Employment Preferences			
	1st	2A Exempt	2A Subject	2A Total	2B	3rd	4th	Family Pref. Total	1st	2nd	3rd	3rd Other Workers
Asia–Continued												
Nepal	2	0	44	44	8	6	10	70	10	34	66	6
Oman	0	0	1	1	0	0	5	6	0	3	3	0
Pakistan	350	208	823	1,031	217	466	2,326	4,390	282	523	632	34
Philippines	1,636	142	1,376	1,518	2,168	4,311	3,982	13,615	268	293	2,902	486
Qatar	0	0	5	5	5	0	1	11	1	6	4	0
Saudi Arabia	3	7	12	19	11	4	20	57	14	23	22	1
Singapore	5	2	5	7	6	11	29	58	58	30	35	7
Sri Lanka	19	4	14	18	15	35	133	220	27	117	164	58
Syria	59	76	73	149	108	132	457	905	21	162	149	20
Thailand	85	26	54	80	107	37	320	629	25	13	167	23
United Arab Emirates	1	6	11	17	0	30	118	166	5	6	8	4
Vietnam	543	115	323	438	311	745	4,894	6,931	32	13	37	6
Yemen	116	8	16	24	18	138	29	325	4	4	7	0
Region Total for Asia	**5,391**	**1,707**	**8,043**	**9,750**	**8,388**	**13,818**	**45,330**	**82,677**	**10,879**	**10,654**	**16,050**	**2,269**
Europe												
Albania	17	0	15	15	0	374	2	408	0	1	26	0
Andorra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Armenia	18	5	4	9	0	3	2	32	54	22	114	1
Austria	1	1	4	5	1	3	5	15	72	8	28	3
Azerbaijan	5	1	1	2	0	0	0	7	8	0	20	0
Belarus	4	0	3	3	0	4	0	11	24	14	8	0
Belgium	4	1	2	3	1	1	1	10	113	14	33	2
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1	1	1	2	2	6	3	14	4	6	6	0
Bulgaria	8	1	8	9	1	13	2	33	130	54	133	0
Croatia	4	0	0	0	1	7	9	21	32	27	26	2
Cyprus	4	1	1	2	3	6	6	21	9	6	6	4
Czech Republic	4	0	2	2	3	5	0	14	34	29	15	0
Denmark	2	0	4	4	0	4	1	11	111	15	25	1
Greenland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2	0	4	4	0	4	1	11	111	15	25	1
Estonia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	12	2	0
Finland	0	0	5	5	2	1	0	8	56	6	24	3
France	40	5	8	13	6	36	97	192	482	124	157	6
French Guiana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
French Polynesia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
French Southern and Antarctic Lands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Guadeloupe	2	2	2	4	3	0	0	9	0	0	1	0
Martinique	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	1
New Caledonia	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0

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Foreign State	Employment Preferences										
	3rd Total	4th	4th Certain Religious Workers	4th Total	5th Employ. Creation	5th Target Employ. Areas	5th Regional Pilot Programs	5th Regional Target Areas	5th Total	Employment Preference Total	Grand Total
Asia--Continued											
Nepal	72	24	6	30	0	0	0	0	0	146	216
Oman	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	12
Pakistan	666	39	73	112	0	4	0	0	4	1,587	5,977
Philippines	3,388	299	200	499	0	2	0	0	2	4,450	18,065
Qatar	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	22
Saudi Arabia	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	117
Singapore	42	3	1	4	1	0	0	0	1	135	193
Sri Lanka	222	12	9	21	0	0	0	0	0	387	607
Syria	169	5	33	38	0	0	0	0	0	390	1,295
Thailand	190	33	16	49	0	0	0	0	0	277	906
United Arab Emirates	12	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	25	191
Vietnam	43	12	8	20	0	0	0	0	0	108	7,039
Yemen	7	6	5	11	0	0	0	0	0	26	351
Region Total for Asia	18,319	1,298	1,968	3,266	181	362	5	138	686	43,004	125,681
Europe											
Albania	26	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	28	436
Andorra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Armenia	115	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	194	226
Austria	31	2	1	3	0	1	0	0	1	115	130
Azerbaijan	20	0	16	16	0	0	0	0	0	44	51
Belarus	8	5	2	7	0	0	0	0	0	53	64
Belgium	35	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	164	174
Bosnia and Herzegovina	6	3	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	20	34
Bulgaria	133	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	320	353
Croatia	28	5	2	7	0	0	0	0	0	94	115
Cyprus	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	46
Czech Republic	15	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	79	93
Denmark	26	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	153	164
Greenland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	26	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	153	164
Estonia	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	17
Finland	27	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	92	100
France	163	10	21	31	2	0	0	0	2	802	994
French Guiana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
French Polynesia	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
French Southern and Antarctic Lands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Guadeloupe	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	11
Martinique	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	4
New Caledonia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2

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Region/State	Family Preferences								Employment Preferences			
	1st	2A Exempt	2A Subject	2A Total	2B	3rd	4th	Family Pref. Total	1st	2nd	3rd	3rd Other Workers
Europe–Continued												
Reunion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Pierre and Miquelon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wallis and Futuna	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	43	7	11	18	9	36	98	204	483	125	159	7
Georgia	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	22	7	21	0
Germany	40	3	20	23	9	62	63	197	767	138	201	5
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	144	20	66	86	45	179	416	870	2,427	397	1,038	37
Anguilla	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	14	0	0	0	0
Bermuda	5	0	0	0	2	1	11	19	1	1	0	0
British Virgin Islands	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	4	0	0	0	0
Cayman Islands	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0
Falkland Islands	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Gibraltar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Montserrat	13	1	0	1	1	12	13	40	0	0	0	4
Pitcairn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Helena	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Turks and Caicos Islands	3	0	0	0	5	0	1	9	0	0	0	2
Total	168	21	68	89	54	192	456	959	2,428	398	1,040	43
Greece	16	11	11	22	7	17	120	182	43	38	48	4
Hungary	15	7	1	8	2	12	19	56	73	52	50	3
Iceland	5	0	3	3	1	0	4	13	12	11	14	0
Ireland	9	2	3	5	0	6	8	28	145	17	44	2
Italy	18	9	18	27	11	36	101	193	172	32	171	6
Kazakhstan	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	21	8	6	0
Kyrgyzstan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Latvia	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	4	19	6	14	0
Liechtenstein	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Lithuania	5	0	0	0	0	2	0	7	33	22	13	2
Luxembourg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0
Macedonia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of	13	8	6	14	3	25	104	159	5	1	19	0
Malta	0	0	1	1	0	5	10	16	5	0	0	0
Moldova	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	4	16	6	19	0
Monaco	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Netherlands	5	3	1	4	1	1	13	24	195	44	82	1
Aruba	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	4	1	0	0	1
Netherlands Antilles	1	0	0	0	1	3	8	13	0	2	1	0
Total	6	3	1	4	3	5	23	41	196	46	83	2
Norway	0	0	2	2	1	1	1	5	11	11	15	0
Poland	427	50	686	736	136	2,226	513	4,038	157	121	1,238	94
Portugal	12	35	37	72	33	15	591	723	22	8	290	78
Macau	1	0	5	5	7	6	131	150	10	2	14	1

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Region/Nat.	Employment Preferences										
	3rd Total	4th	4th Certain Religious Workers	4th Total	5th Employ. Creation	5th Target Employ. Area	5th Regional Pilot Program	5th Regional Target Area	5th Total	Employment Preference Total	Grand Total
Europe--Continued											
Reunion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Pierre and Miquelon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wallis and Futuna	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	166	12	22	34	2	0	0	0	2	810	1,014
Georgia	21	8	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	58	60
Germany	206	15	24	39	11	7	0	7	25	1,175	1,372
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1,075	48	54	102	12	6	0	4	22	4,023	4,893
Anguilla	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14
Bermuda	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	22
British Virgin Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Cayman Islands	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	4
Falkland Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Gibraltar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Montserrat	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	44
Pitcairn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Helena	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Turks and Caicos Islands	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	11
Total	1,083	49	54	103	12	6	0	4	22	4,034	4,993
Greece	52	3	4	7	0	0	0	0	0	140	322
Hungary	53	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	182	238
Iceland	14	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	38	51
Ireland	46	5	6	11	0	0	0	0	0	219	247
Italy	177	3	23	26	0	0	0	0	0	407	600
Kazakhstan	6	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	36	38
Kyrgyzstan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Latvia	14	1	6	7	0	0	0	0	0	46	50
Liechtenstein	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Lithuania	15	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	71	78
Luxembourg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	12
Macedonia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of	19	6	2	8	0	0	0	0	0	33	192
Malta	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	6	22
Moldova	19	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	42	46
Monaco	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Netherlands	83	3	3	6	0	0	0	0	0	328	352
Aruba	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	6
Netherlands Antilles	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	16
Total	85	3	3	6	0	0	0	0	0	333	374
Norway	15	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	38	43
Poland	1,332	16	227	243	0	2	0	0	2	1,855	5,893
Portugal	368	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	398	1,121
Macau	15	0	4	4	1	0	0	0	1	32	182

Table V (Part I)
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Region/State	Family Preferences								Employment Preferences			
	1st	2A Parents	2A Subject	2A Total	2B	3rd	4th	Family Pref. Total	1st	2nd	3rd	3rd Other Workers
Europe--Continued												
Total	13	35	42	77	40	21	722	873	32	10	304	79
Romania	45	2	37	39	8	121	142	355	103	92	184	1
Russia	49	10	14	24	1	9	1	84	891	481	343	3
San Marino	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Serbia-Montenegro [1]	20	4	22	26	6	54	143	249	53	55	72	6
Slovakia	4	0	2	2	0	10	2	18	6	11	34	0
Slovenia	0	0	0	0	1	3	1	5	12	1	0	0
Spain	15	10	11	21	5	4	24	69	101	35	51	9
Western Sahara	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	15	10	11	21	5	4	24	69	101	35	51	9
Sweden	10	2	4	6	5	4	10	35	141	18	37	1
Switzerland	4	1	9	10	1	22	6	43	149	37	62	2
Tajikistan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	3	0
Turkey	24	4	45	49	14	14	105	206	105	57	173	26
Turkmenistan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	0
Ukraine	33	5	9	14	1	28	2	78	175	82	105	4
Uzbekistan	6	0	3	3	0	0	0	9	25	4	16	0
Vatican City	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Region Total for Europe	**1,066**	**285**	**1,081**	**1,286**	**333**	**3,345**	**2,709**	**8,739**	**7,067**	**2,140**	**5,087**	**385**
North America												
Antigua and Barbuda	50	3	5	8	34	19	60	171	0	0	0	3
Bahamas	46	34	18	52	25	7	6	136	2	1	5	4
Barbados	127	15	18	33	31	38	79	308	5	3	13	51
Belize	101	23	12	35	33	23	52	244	0	0	7	14
Canada	198	28	75	103	50	239	430	1,020	3,056	1,007	846	8
Costa Rica	43	21	27	48	22	39	56	208	12	8	39	13
Cuba	668	20	15	35	17	514	85	1,319	4	1	1	2
Dominica	110	4	27	31	76	14	101	332	0	0	7	23
Dominican Republic	843	323	3,651	3,974	2,536	436	1,752	9,541	24	18	62	28
El Salvador	667	1,220	1,007	2,227	1,205	84	541	4,724	14	9	1,415	1,502
Grenada	123	5	16	21	19	18	91	272	0	0	10	81
Guatemala	423	507	612	1,119	477	115	317	2,451	11	9	410	463
Haiti	1,447	1,499	1,355	2,854	1,227	156	594	6,278	8	1	29	53
Honduras	511	299	443	742	386	123	199	1,961	4	5	215	121
Jamaica	2,085	138	890	1,028	1,265	517	1,366	6,261	30	20	124	290
Mexico	2,814	44,814	0	44,814	2,517	1,707	5,498	57,350	428	83	2,508	634
Nicaragua	205	176	150	326	147	94	129	901	4	4	138	138
Panama	111	11	28	39	44	60	74	328	7	8	43	9
Saint Kitts and Nevis	117	0	7	7	58	22	59	263	0	0	0	6

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Region/State	Employment Preferences										
	3rd Total	4th	4th Certain Religious Workers	4th Total	5th Employ. Creation	5th Target Employ. Areas	5th Regional Ctr. Projects	5th Regional Target Areas	5th Total	Employment Preference Total	Grand Total
Europe--Continued											
Total	383	0	4	4	1	0	0	0	1	430	1,303
Romania	185	24	62	86	0	0	0	0	0	466	821
Russia	346	23	35	58	0	18	0	0	18	1,794	1,878
San Marino	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Serbia-Montenegro [1]	78	10	8	18	0	0	0	0	0	204	453
Slovakia	34	1	7	8	0	0	0	0	0	59	77
Slovenia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	18
Spain	60	4	10	14	1	0	0	0	1	211	280
Western Sahara	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	60	4	10	14	1	0	0	0	1	211	280
Sweden	38	3	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	201	236
Switzerland	64	6	5	11	0	0	0	0	0	261	304
Tajikistan	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	8
Turkey	199	5	11	16	0	0	0	0	0	377	583
Turkmenistan	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4
Ukraine	109	14	47	61	0	0	0	0	0	427	505
Uzbekistan	16	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	46	55
Vatican City	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Region Total for Europe	**5,322**	**233**	**601**	**834**	**27**	**34**	**0**	**11**	**72**	**15,435**	**24,174**
North America											
Antigua and Barbuda	3	2	3	5	0	0	0	0	0	8	179
Bahamas	9	12	8	20	0	0	0	0	0	32	168
Barbados	64	2	10	12	0	0	0	0	0	84	392
Belize	21	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	24	268
Canada	854	77	100	177	19	0	0	1	20	5,114	6,134
Costa Rica	52	16	18	34	0	0	0	0	0	106	314
Cuba	3	20	15	35	0	0	0	0	0	43	1,362
Dominica	30	1	14	15	0	0	0	0	0	45	377
Dominican Republic	90	24	100	124	0	0	0	0	0	256	9,797
El Salvador	2,917	59	26	85	0	0	0	0	0	3,025	7,749
Grenada	91	3	15	18	0	0	0	0	0	109	381
Guatemala	873	58	82	140	0	0	0	0	0	1,033	3,484
Haiti	82	88	63	151	0	0	0	0	0	242	6,520
Honduras	336	22	18	40	0	0	0	0	0	385	2,346
Jamaica	414	117	169	286	0	0	0	0	0	750	7,011
Mexico	3,142	311	257	568	4	3	0	0	7	4,228	61,578
Nicaragua	276	8	24	32	0	0	0	0	0	316	1,217
Panama	52	77	10	87	1	0	0	0	1	155	483
Saint Kitts and Nevis	6	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	8	271

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Foreign State	Family Preferences								Employment Preferences			
	1st	2A Exempt	2A Subject	2A Total	2B	3rd	4th	Family Pref. Total	1st	2nd	3rd	3rd Other Workers
North America--Continued												
Saint Lucia	62	4	16	20	27	17	112	238	0	5	8	27
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	80	4	9	13	20	11	57	181	0	1	1	44
Trinidad and Tobago	436	52	112	164	173	322	596	1,691	32	34	241	495
Region Total for North America	11,267	49,280	8,493	57,693	10,389	4,575	12,284	96,178	3,641	1,217	6,122	4,889
Oceania												
Australia	16	5	3	8	2	6	24	56	243	50	94	0
Christmas Island	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cocos Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	16	5	3	8	2	6	24	56	243	50	94	0
Fiji	14	4	23	27	31	62	930	1,064	1	0	3	0
Kiribati	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Marshall Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Micronesia, Federated States of	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nauru	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Zealand	9	0	5	5	0	10	5	29	94	22	40	4
Cook Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Niue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	9	0	5	5	0	10	5	29	95	22	40	4
Palau	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Papua New Guinea	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Samoa	4	4	5	9	0	15	3	31	1	0	2	0
Solomon Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tonga	10	3	14	17	7	9	60	103	0	0	0	5
Tuvalu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vanuatu	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	4	0	0	0	0
Region Total for Oceania	54	16	50	66	40	102	1,025	1,287	341	72	139	9
South America												
Argentina	49	19	16	35	14	27	49	174	166	77	232	57
Bolivia	69	29	71	100	36	27	70	302	11	7	399	152
Brazil	71	64	133	197	39	54	86	447	506	85	701	86
Chile	51	9	20	29	23	41	108	252	30	21	104	22
Colombia	625	137	374	511	462	310	1,103	3,011	115	60	362	142
Ecuador	391	177	586	763	528	307	547	2,536	46	10	513	125
Guyana	415	26	148	174	259	620	641	2,109	17	19	54	136

Table V (Part II)
Immigrant Visas Issued and Adjustments of Status
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	Employment Preferences										
Region/State	3rd Total	4th	4th Certain Religious Workers	4th Total	5th Employ. Creation	5th Target Employ. Area	5th Regional Ctrs Program	5th Regional Target Area	5th Total	Employment Preference Total	Grand Total
North America--Continued											
Saint Lucia	35	2	5	7	0	0	0	0	0	47	285
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	45	3	8	11	0	0	0	0	0	57	238
Trinidad and Tobago	736	26	168	194	0	0	0	0	0	996	2,687
Region Total for North America	10,131	950	1,116	2,066	24	3	0	1	28	17,883	113,241
Oceania											
Australia	94	12	20	32	0	0	0	0	0	419	475
Christmas Island	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cocos Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	94	12	20	32	0	0	0	0	0	419	475
Fiji	3	20	3	23	0	0	0	0	0	27	1,091
Kiribati	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Marshall Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Micronesia, Federated States of	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nauru	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Zealand	44	7	22	29	1	0	0	0	1	190	219
Cook Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Niue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	44	7	22	29	1	0	0	0	1	191	220
Palau	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Papua New Guinea	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
Samoa	2	3	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	7	38
Solomon Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tonga	5	1	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	9	112
Tuvalu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vanuatu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Region Total for Oceania	148	45	49	94	1	0	0	0	1	686	1,943
South America											
Argentina	289	16	31	47	0	0	0	0	0	579	753
Bolivia	551	7	10	17	0	0	0	0	0	586	888
Brazil	787	65	74	139	0	0	0	0	0	1,517	1,964
Chile	126	7	15	22	0	0	0	0	0	199	451
Colombia	504	28	92	120	7	6	0	0	13	812	3,823
Ecuador	638	3	33	36	0	2	0	0	2	732	3,268
Guyana	190	12	61	73	0	0	0	0	0	299	2,408

Table V (Part I)
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Subject to Numerical Limitations (Continued)
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Region/State	Family Preferences								Employment Preferences			
	1st	2A Resident	2A Subject	2A Total	3rd	4th	5th	Family Pref. Total	1st	2nd	3rd	3rd Other Workers
South America--Continued												
Paraguay	11	2	3	5	8	0	15	29	7	1	39	24
Peru	577	134	401	535	607	314	867	2,900	80	47	533	328
Suriname	4	1	6	7	2	7	2	22	0	6	18	2
Uruguay	15	6	3	9	14	7	22	67	18	16	37	9
Venezuela	102	28	41	69	31	41	54	297	265	42	218	20
Region Total for South America	2,370	632	1,882	2,424	2,023	1,795	3,864	12,146	1,261	391	3,210	1,183
Grand Totals	20,914	51,888	19,958	71,046	21,590	23,895	66,870	205,115	23,159	15,197	31,812	7,857

Table V (Part II)
Immigrant Visas Issued and Adjustments of Status Subject to Numerical Limitations (Continued)
Fiscal Year 1998

Region/State	Employment Preferences: 1st Total	4th	4th Certain Religious Workers	4th Total	5th Employ. Creation	5th Target Employ. Areas	5th Regional Pilot Program	5th Regional Target Areas	5th Total	Employment Preference Total	Grand Total
South America--Continued											
Paraguay	73	11	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	82	111
Peru	861	22	42	64	0	0	0	0	0	1,052	3,952
Suriname	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	26	48
Uruguay	46	2	6	8	0	0	0	0	0	88	155
Venezuela	238	45	64	109	0	0	0	0	0	654	951
Region Total for South America	4,323	288	428	636	7	8	0	0	15	6,636	10,772
Grand Totals	39,669	3,835	4,688	7,523	251	413	5	180	849	86,367	291,682

Note: See Appendices A-1 and B for explanation of the immigrant visa categories used in this table.

In addition to the 291,682 numbers used for visa issuances or INS adjustments of status, 14 family preference numbers were charged for children admitted under INA 211(a) accompanying parents with family preference visas and 3 employment preference numbers were charged for children admitted under INA 211(a) accompanying parents with employment preference visas.

In accordance with INA 203(b)(6), the 71 special immigrants who were issued visas or adjusted status during FY-1997 under INA 101(a)(27)(K) (certain U.S. armed forces personnel) were charged against the FY-1998 employment preference limit, each of the first and second preferences was reduced by 24, and the third preference was reduced by 23. FY-1998 per-country limits were reduced by the amount specified to compensate for such immigrants: Australia 1, Ireland 1, Japan 11, and Philippines 58. For the Philippines chargeability, which was subject to the preceding provisions of INA 202(e), the reduction in the per-country limit was accomplished under the law as follows: The employment first preference was reduced by 20, and each of the second and third preferences was reduced by 19.

In accordance with Section 2(d) of the Chinese Student Protection Act of 1992 (P.L. 102-404), beginning with FY-1993, the China-mainland born limit will be reduced by 1,000 per fiscal year to compensate for issuances under that legislation.

Numbers assigned to issued visas that are not used are recaptured in accordance with Section 206 of the INA and can be used again for the issuance of other visas. Therefore, the total number of visas issued and adjustments of status may exceed a specified limitation.

For number use in the Diversity (DV) category, see Table VII.

[1] Serbia and Montenegro have proclaimed the formation of a joint independent state, but this entity has not been formally recognized by the United States.

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Table VI (Part I)
Preference Visas Issued
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Foreign State	Family Preferences														Employment Preferences				
	1st	2A Exempt	2A Exempt (Cont'd)	2A Subject	2A Subject (Cont'd)	2A Total	2B	2B (Cont'd)	2B Total	3rd	3rd (Cont'd)	3rd Total	4th	Family Preference Total	1st	2nd	3rd	3rd Other Workers	3rd Total
Africa																			
Algeria	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	6	0	6	2	11	3	1	11	0	11
Angola	0	0	0	4	0	4	8	0	8	0	0	0	5	17	2	0	2	3	5
Benin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Botswana	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Burkina Faso	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burundi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cameroon	7	0	0	8	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cape Verde	38	3	0	94	0	97	148	0	148	9	0	9	71	363	0	0	0	1	1
Central African Republic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chad	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Comoros	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Congo, Republic of the	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Congo, Dem. Rep. of the	6	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Cote d'Ivoire	0	0	0	2	0	2	1	0	1	6	0	6	8	15	0	0	0	0	0
Djibouti	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Egypt	34	3	0	54	0	57	54	0	54	96	0	96	892	1,123	9	24	37	2	39
Equatorial Guinea	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eritrea	13	0	0	14	0	14	3	0	3	0	0	0	4	34	0	0	2	0	2
Ethiopia	40	0	0	36	0	36	13	0	13	80	0	80	23	122	3	1	9	0	9
Gabon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gambia	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Ghana	172	14	0	66	0	80	39	0	39	27	0	27	45	383	0	80	6	5	11
Guinea	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	13	0	13
Guinea-Bissau	1	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
Kenya	14	1	0	4	0	5	9	0	9	21	0	21	244	293	6	13	5	1	6
Lesotho	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Liberia	81	2	0	8	0	80	6	0	6	8	0	8	7	192	0	0	9	1	10
Libya	1	1	0	5	0	6	0	0	0	7	0	7	4	18	0	0	2	0	2
Madagascar	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	1	0	1	0	1
Malawi	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	9	0	0	0	0	0
Mali	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	3
Mauritania	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mauritius	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	1	1
Morocco	7	3	0	26	0	29	26	0	26	7	0	7	26	95	5	3	6	0	6

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	Employment Preferences																
					4th						5th		5th	5th			
Foreign State	SD	SE	SF	SG	SH	SJ	SK	SL	SR	4th Total	Employment Creation	5th Target Employment	Regional Pilot Program	Regional Target Area	5th Total	Employment Preference Total	Grand Total
Africa																	
Algeria	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	26
Angola	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	24
Benin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Botswana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Burkina Faso	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burundi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cameroon	3	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	23	0	0	0	0	0	30	50
Cape Verde	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	364
Central African Republic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chad	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Comoros	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Congo, Republic of the	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Congo, Dem. Rep. of the	0	4	0	0	0	0	2	0	5	11	0	6	0	0	0	0	2
Cote d'Ivoire	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	6	32
Djibouti	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	13
Egypt	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29	29	0	0	0	0	0	4	0
Equatorial Guinea	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,224
Eritrea	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	101	0
Ethiopia	2	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gabon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	40
Gambia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	147
Ghana	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Guinea	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Guinea-Bissau	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29	412
Kenya	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	5	0	0	0	0	0	5	6
Lesotho	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Liberia	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	9	0	0	0	0	0	20	313
Libya	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Madagascar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	19	131
Malawi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	20
Mali	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	6
Mauritania	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
Mauritius	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	4
Morocco	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
																1	4
																18	113

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Foreign State	Family Preferences														Employment Preferences				
	1st	2A Exempt	2A Exempt (Cont'd)	2A Subject	2A Subject (Cont'd)	2A Total	2B	2B (Cont'd)	2B Total	3rd	3rd (Cont'd)	3rd Total	4th	Family Preference Total	1st	2nd	3rd	3rd Other Workers	3rd Total
Africa--Continued																			
Mozambique	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	1	0	1	11	15	2	0	1	0	1
Namibia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Niger	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nigeria	149	10	0	74	0	84	29	0	29	18	0	18	42	322	19	41	118	5	123
Rwanda	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sao Tome and Principe	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Senegal	2	3	0	8	0	11	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	17	1	0	4	0	4
Seychelles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sierra Leone	9	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	3	0	3	7	21	0	0	9	1	10
Somalia	2	1	0	9	0	10	1	0	1	0	0	0	17	30	0	3	0	0	0
South Africa	10	0	0	4	0	4	6	0	6	30	0	30	152	202	62	12	117	0	117
Sudan	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	5	2	16	1	0	1
Swaziland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tanzania	4	0	0	3	0	3	9	0	9	3	0	3	106	125	4	3	5	0	5
Togo	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	4	1	0	0	0
Tunisia	0	2	0	2	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	6	1	0	0	0	0
Uganda	3	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	2	4	0	4	152	162	1	0	6	0	6
Zambia	1	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	11	0	11	44	59	1	2	1	0	1
Zimbabwe	3	0	0	3	0	3	1	0	1	0	0	0	19	26	3	0	6	0	6
Region Total for Africa	683	44	0	440	0	484	361	0	361	272	0	272	1,904	3,634	137	120	367	20	387
Asia																			
Afghanistan	30	0	0	27	0	27	17	0	17	84	0	84	2	160	0	6	9	4	13
Bahrain	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	29	0	0	0	0	0
Bangladesh	91	9	0	878	0	887	189	0	189	90	0	90	1,858	2,315	10	18	79	14	93
Bhutan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brunei	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	6	7	0	0	0	0	0
Burma	36	3	0	26	0	29	95	0	95	93	0	93	657	910	0	5	2	6	8
Cambodia	54	1	0	15	0	16	2	0	2	111	0	111	69	252	0	0	0	0	0
China--mainland born	456	444	0	1,006	0	1,450	1,852	0	1,852	2,942	0	2,942	8,273	14,973	451	60	1,403	208	1,611
--Taiwan born	166	21	0	108	0	129	428	0	428	434	0	434	3,726	4,883	168	33	111	60	171

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Foreign State	Employment Preference: 4th SD	4th SE	4th SF	4th SG	4th SH	4th SJ	4th SK	4th SL	4th SR	4th Total	5th Employment Creation	5th Target Employment	5th Regional Pilot Program	5th Regional Target Areas	5th Total	Employment Preference Total	Grand Total
Africa--Continued																	
Mozambique	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	18
Namibia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Niger	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nigeria	52	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	89	0	0	0	0	0	272	594
Rwanda	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sao Tome and Principe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Senegal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	- 5	22
Seychelles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sierra Leone	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	31
Somalia	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	7	37
South Africa	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	203	405
Sudan	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	26	31
Swaziland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tanzania	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	137
Togo	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	8	10
Tunisia	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	3	9
Uganda	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	160
Zambia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	6	65
Zimbabwe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	35
Region Total for Africa	82	59	0	0	0	0	3	0	81	225	2	6	0	0	8	877	4,581
Asia																	
Afghanistan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	20	180
Bahrain	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29
Bangladesh	2	39	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	41	0	0	0	0	0	162	2,477
Bhutan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brunei	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Burma	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	6	0	0	0	0	0	19	929
Cambodia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	253
China--mainland born	10	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	19	11	24	0	6	41	2,182	17,155
--Taiwan born	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	25	73	97	3	98	271	668	5,551

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Foreign State	Family Preference														Employment Preference				
	1st	2A Exempt	2A Exempt (Cond)	2A Subject	2A Subject (Cond)	2A Total	2B	2B (Cond)	2B Total	3rd	3rd (Cond)	3rd Total	4th	Family Preference Total	1st	2nd	3rd	3rd Other Workers	3rd Total
Asia--Continued																			
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region	90	2	0	79	0	81	298	0	298	377	0	337	2,320	3,126	35	11	75	110	185
India	400	141	0	2,059	0	2,200	994	0	994	2,202	0	2,202	9,790	15,586	129	60	435	65	580
Indonesia	13	14	0	21	0	35	12	0	12	22	0	22	205	287	11	0	16	11	27
Iran	106	24	0	149	0	173	338	0	338	187	0	187	1,311	2,115	24	17	88	4	92
Iraq	38	1	0	27	0	28	71	0	71	170	0	170	155	462	1	13	41	1	42
Israel	21	0	0	7	0	7	12	0	12	39	0	39	107	186	37	17	30	3	33
Japan	12	5	0	44	0	49	6	0	6	10	0	10	32	109	238	15	102	4	106
Jordan	47	12	0	197	0	209	108	0	108	203	0	203	379	946	10	0	27	0	27
Korea, North	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	51	53	0	0	0	0	0
Korea, South	110	23	0	128	0	151	278	0	278	401	0	401	3,356	4,296	12	3	288	330	618
Kuwait	19	4	0	60	0	64	22	0	22	53	0	53	33	191	5	0	9	0	9
Laos	31	0	0	5	0	5	6	0	6	20	0	20	17	79	0	0	3	0	3
Lebanon	92	3	0	147	0	150	203	0	203	217	0	217	548	1,210	9	4	56	14	70
Malaysia	5	2	0	12	0	14	13	0	13	9	0	9	146	187	7	2	24	7	31
Maldives	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mongolia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nepal	1	0	0	44	0	44	8	0	8	6	0	6	10	69	3	1	11	0	11
Oman	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	6	0	3	2	0	2
Pakistan	263	160	0	800	0	960	200	0	200	445	0	445	2,266	4,134	39	22	108	4	112
Philippines	1,547	69	0	1,338	0	1,407	2,098	0	2,098	4,235	0	4,235	3,906	13,193	31	44	632	229	861
Qatar	0	0	0	4	0	4	3	0	3	0	0	0	1	8	0	0	0	0	0
Saudi Arabia	2	3	0	12	0	15	8	0	8	4	0	4	20	49	3	2	5	0	5
Singapore	1	1	0	5	0	6	6	0	6	11	0	11	27	51	7	5	1	3	4
Sri Lanka	12	0	0	14	0	14	13	0	13	24	0	24	127	190	0	6	33	21	54
Syria	38	60	0	66	0	126	95	0	95	128	0	128	452	839	7	9	51	10	61
Thailand	75	3	0	44	0	47	98	0	98	36	0	36	308	564	3	0	30	6	36
United Arab Emirates	1	6	0	9	0	15	0	0	0	26	0	26	118	160	0	2	3	3	6
Vietnam	458	63	0	315	0	378	277	0	277	720	0	720	4,540	6,373	2	4	22	5	27
Yemen	100	6	0	16	0	22	13	0	13	125	0	125	28	288	0	0	0	0	0
Region Total for Asia	4,316	1,880	0	7,685	0	8,745	7,705	0	7,705	13,384	0	13,384	44,876	78,286	1,242	362	3,696	1,122	4,818

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Foreign State	Employment Preferences																	
	4th										5th		5th	5th				
	RD	SE	SF	SG	SH	SJ	SK	SL	SR	4th Total	Employment Creation	5th Target Employment	Regional Ctr Program	Regional Target Area	5th Total	Employment Preference Total	Grand Total
Asia-Continued																	
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	13	0	14	0	0	14	258	3,384
India	37	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	97	169	3	2	0	0	5	863	16,449
Indonesia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	5	0	0	0	5	47	334
Iran	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	134	2,249
Iraq	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	10	0	0	0	0	0	66	528
Israel	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	11	0	0	0	0	0	98	284
Japan	6	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	18	6	4	0	7	17	394	503
Jordan	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	7	0	0	0	0	0	44	980
Korea, North	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	54
Korea, South	59	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	45	122	0	68	0	22	90	845	5,141
Kuwait	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	18	289
Laos	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	9	0	0	0	0	0	12	91
Lebanon	10	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	13	0	0	0	0	0	96	1,386
Malaysia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	42	229
Maldives	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mongolia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nepal	0	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	22	0	0	0	0	0	37	186
Oman	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	11
Pakistan	7	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	47	0	0	0	0	0	220	4,354
Philippines	37	128	0	0	0	0	2	0	16	183	0	0	0	0	0	1,119	14,312
Qatar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
Saudi Arabia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	59
Singapore	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	19	70
Sri Lanka	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	10	0	0	0	0	0	70	260
Syria	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	13	0	0	0	0	0	90	929
Thailand	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	15	0	0	0	0	0	34	618
United Arab Emirates	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	9	169
Vietnam	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	11	0	0	0	0	0	44	6,417
Yemen	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	6	0	0	0	0	0	6	294
Region Total for Asia	198	282	0	0	0	0	2	0	281	783	101	210	3	134	448	7,653	85,939

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Foreign State	Family Preferences														Employment Preferences				
	1st	2A Recapt	2A Recapt (Cont'd)	2A Subject	2A Subject (Cont'd)	2A Total	2B	2B (Cont'd)	2B Total	3rd	3rd (Cont'd)	3rd Total	4th	Family Preference Total	1st	2nd	3rd	3rd Other Workers	3rd Total
Europe																			
Albania	84	0	0	84	0	84	0	0	0	324	0	324	2	404	0	0	15	0	15
Andorra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Armenia	12	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	3	2	18	23	2	25	0	25
Austria	0	0	0	4	0	4	1	0	1	3	0	3	5	13	66	0	7	0	7
Azerbaijan	4	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	1	0	8	0	8
Belarus	4	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	11	11	3	11	0	1
Belgium	3	0	0	2	0	2	1	0	1	11	0	11	1	8	84	0	2	0	2
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	6	0	6	3	12	11	0	0	0	0
Bulgaria	2	0	0	6	0	6	1	0	1	11	0	11	2	22	66	1	25	0	25
Croatia	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	7	0	7	8	19	2	1	11	0	1
Cyprus	2	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	6	0	6	2	12	0	0	0	3	3
Czech Republic	3	0	0	2	0	2	3	0	3	2	0	2	0	10	3	4	2	0	2
Denmark	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	7	84	4	5	0	5
Greenland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Estonia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Finland	0	0	0	4	0	4	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	6	13	1	11	2	3
France	27	3	0	2	0	5	3	0	3	30	0	30	95	160	83	6	28	1	29
French Guiana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
French Polynesia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
French Southern and Antarctic Lands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Guadeloupe	2	0	0	2	0	2	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	1	0	1
Martinique	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
New Caledonia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Reunion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Pierre & Miquelon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wallis and Futuna	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Germany	29	2	0	46	0	48	7	0	7	60	0	60	62	126	183	14	37	2	39
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	76	3	0	46	0	49	36	0	36	173	0	173	406	740	384	32	173	89	192
Anguilla	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	14	0	0	0	0	0
Bermuda	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	1	0	1	11	14	0	0	0	0	0
British Virgin Islands	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0

Table VI (Part II)
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Fiscal Year 1998

Foreign State	Employment Preference: 4th SD	4th SR	4th SF	4th SC	4th SQ	4th SJ	4th SK	4th SL	4th SB	4th Total	5th Employment Creation	5th Target Employment	5th Regional Pilot Program	5th Regional Target Area	5th Total	Employment Preference Total	Grand Total
Europe																	
Albania	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	85	420
Andorra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Armenia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	68
Austria	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	36
Azerbaijan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	84	84	0	0	0	0	0	23	28
Belarus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	26
Belgium	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	86	24
Bosnia and Herzegovina	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	5	17
Bulgaria	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	82	84
Croatia	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	5	24
Cyprus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	15
Czech Republic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	19
Denmark	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	30
Greenland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Estonia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Finland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	23
France	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	7	2	0	0	0	2	107	267
French Guiana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
French Polynesia	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
French Southern and Antarctic Lands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Guadeloupe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	8
Martinique	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
New Caledonia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Reunion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Pierre & Miquelon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wallis and Futuna	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	29	30
Germany	7	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	6	17	7	4	0	7	19	271	447
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	36	0	2	0	4	6	650	1,390
Anguilla	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14
Bermuda	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	15
British Virgin Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3

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Region/State	Family Preferences														Employment Preferences				
	1st	2A Parents	2A Exempt (Cont'd)	2A Subject	2A Subject (Cont'd)	2A Total	2B	2B (Cont'd)	2B Total	3rd	3rd (Cont'd)	3rd Total	4th	Family Preference Total	1st	2nd	3rd	3rd Other Workers	3rd Total
Europe-Continued																			
Cyprus Islands	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	2
Falkland Islands	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Gibraltar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Montserrat	11	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	12	0	12	13	37	0	0	0	2	2
Pitcairn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Helena	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Turks and Caicos Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	1	1
Greece	12	3	0	10	0	13	5	0	5	14	0	14	107	151	6	2	5	2	7
Hungary	5	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	2	7	0	7	16	31	14	0	14	1	15
Iceland	5	0	0	3	0	3	1	0	1	0	0	0	4	13	1	1	3	0	3
Ireland	6	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	3	7	17	7	4	11	0	11
Italy	11	4	0	12	0	16	8	0	8	32	0	32	96	163	39	5	38	3	41
Kazakhstan	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	10	1	1	0	1
Kyrgyzstan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Latvia	3	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	0	1	0	1
Liechtenstein	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lithuania	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	4	8	2	1	1	2
Luxembourg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Macedonia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of	12	5	0	5	0	10	2	0	2	25	0	25	103	152	3	0	12	0	12
Malta	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	5	0	5	10	16	1	0	0	0	0
Moldova	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	3	2	0	9	0	9
Monaco	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Netherlands	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	13	17	29	2	19	0	19
Aruba	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	0
Netherlands Antilles	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	8	10	0	2	1	0	1
Norway	0	0	0	2	0	2	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	5	2	2	1	0	1
Poland	314	13	0	638	0	651	115	0	115	2,157	0	2,157	479	3,716	17	9	366	28	394
Portugal	4	7	0	25	0	32	25	0	25	15	0	15	569	645	2	0	35	29	64
Macau	0	0	0	5	0	5	7	0	7	6	0	6	130	148	2	0	4	0	4
Romania	34	0	0	32	0	32	8	0	8	108	0	108	137	319	12	5	58	0	58
Russia	29	0	0	8	0	8	1	0	1	7	0	7	1	46	130	40	26	1	27
San Marino	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Table VI (Part II)
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Foreign State	4th										5th	5th	5th	5th	Employment Preference Total	Grand Total
	3rd	4A	4B	4C	4D	4E	4F	4G	4R	4th Total	Employment Creation	Target Employment	Rural Area	Target Area		
Europe-Continued																
Cayman Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3
Falkland Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Gibraltar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Montserrat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3
Pitcairn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Helena	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Turks and Caicos Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Greece	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	1	4
Hungary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Iceland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ireland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Italy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	3	5
Kazakhstan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	24	28
Kyrgyzstan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	12
Latvia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Liechtenstein	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5
Lithuania	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Luxembourg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	12
Macedonia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	6
Malta	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	21
Moldova	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Monaco	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	11
Netherlands	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Aruba	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	51	51
Netherlands Antilles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
Norway	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	6	7
Poland	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	5	11
Portugal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	49	55	0	0	0	0	475	530
Macau	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	68	68
Romania	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	27	0	0	0	0	6	33
Russia	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	15	0	0	0	0	102	117
San Marino	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	0	17	229	246

Table VI (Part I)
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Region/City	Family Preference														Employment Preference				
	1st	2A Spouse	2A Minor Child	2A Subtotal	2A Subject Child	2A Total	2B	2B Child	2B Total	3rd	3rd Child	3rd Total	4th	Family Preference Total	1st	2nd	3rd	3rd Other Persons	3rd Total
Europe-Continued																			
Serbia-Montenegro[1]	10	0	0	12	0	12	4	0	4	47	0	47	115	188	7	3	8	0	8
Slovakia	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	9	1	11	1	1	0	0	0
Slovenia	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	3	0	3	1	5	1	0	0	0	0
Spain	9	5	0	1	0	6	3	0	3	4	0	4	20	42	19	2	12	0	12
Sweden	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Switzerland	4	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	4	0	4	10	21	19	0	9	0	9
Tajikistan	2	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	4	0	4	16	24	20	0	0	0	0
Turkey	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	0	22	8	30	13	2	11	1	12
Turkmenistan	18	4	0	43	0	47	10	0	10	22	0	22	32	112	13	0	11	0	11
Ukraine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	0	13	104	117	36	3	81	19	100
United Kingdom	19	0	0	8	0	8	0	0	0	25	0	25	2	52	44	0	25	3	28
Vatican City	6	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	14	0	0	0	0
Region Total for Europe	**704**	**58**	**0**	**923**	**0**	**994**	**366**	**0**	**366**	**3,011**	**0**	**3,011**	**2,571**	**7,726**	**1,389**	**865**	**1,134**	**421**	**1,555**
North America																			
Antigua and Barbuda	35	1	0	3	0	4	27	0	27	17	0	17	60	143	0	0	0	0	0
Bahamas	3	0	0	9	0	9	12	0	12	7	0	7	3	34	1	0	0	2	3
Barbados	91	2	0	14	0	16	26	0	26	34	0	34	75	202	2	0	1	15	16
Canada	35	3	0	11	0	14	23	0	23	14	0	14	40	126	0	0	3	1	4
Costa Rica	189	4	0	38	0	42	42	0	42	100	0	100	386	709	59	1	7	1	8
Cuba	21	5	0	10	0	15	15	0	15	21	0	21	47	127	4	0	9	2	11
Dominica	434	0	0	9	0	9	11	0	11	402	0	402	43	1,169	2	0	0	2	2
Dominican Republic	95	0	0	23	0	23	75	0	75	5	0	5	101	299	0	0	1	11	12
El Salvador	783	238	0	3,561	0	3,799	2,476	0	2,476	413	0	413	1,732	9,208	5	0	21	11	32
Grenada	252	257	0	785	0	1,042	461	0	461	43	0	43	434	2,232	0	0	265	348	393
Guatemala	185	1	0	13	0	14	16	0	16	17	0	17	83	233	0	0	5	20	25
Haiti	201	26	0	471	0	497	271	0	271	89	0	89	246	1,302	0	0	65	93	158
Honduras	1,168	1,338	0	1,193	0	2,531	1,113	0	1,113	134	0	134	550	5,496	0	0	17	25	42
Jamaica	350	131	0	374	0	505	310	0	310	94	0	94	177	1,436	2	0	50	42	92
	1,763	87	0	828	0	915	1,228	0	1,228	443	0	443	1,295	5,642	4	3	32	116	148

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Region State	Employment Preference: 4th SD	4th SE	4th SF	4th SG	4th SH	4th SJ	4th SK	4th SL	4th SR	4th Total	5th Employment Creation	5th Target Employment	5th Regional Pilot Program	5th Regional Target Areas	5th Total	Employment Preference Total	Grand Total
Europe-Continued																	
Serbia-Montenegro[1]	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	23	211
Slovakia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	25
Slovenia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	9
Spain	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	32	74
Western Sahara	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sweden	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	39	63
Switzerland	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	29	61
Tajikistan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Turkey	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	6	0	0	0	0	0	145	337
Turkmenistan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Ukraine	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	11	0	0	0	0	0	92	146
Uzbekistan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	30
Vatican City	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Region Total for Europe	69	14	0	0	0	0	6	0	149	229	9	23	0	11	43	2,882	10,688
North America																	
Antigua and Barbuda	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	143
Bahamas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	38
Barbados	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	24	266
Belize	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	130
Canada	19	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	5	27	0	0	0	1	1	985	1,774
Costa Rica	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	6	0	0	0	0	0	22	149
Cuba	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	33	0	0	0	0	0	37	1,286
Dominica	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	13	312
Dominican Republic	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	42	49	0	0	0	0	0	87	9,290
El Salvador	11	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	18	0	0	0	0	0	614	2,846
Grenada	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	258
Guatemala	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	6	0	0	0	0	0	164	1,466
Haiti	21	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	45	0	0	0	0	0	87	5,583
Honduras	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	11	0	0	0	0	0	105	1,941
Jamaica	17	51	0	0	0	0	0	0	29	97	0	0	0	0	0	252	5,894

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Region/Area	Family Preference													Employment Preference				
	1st	2A Parents	2A Spouses (Cont'd)	2A Children	2A Subject (Cont'd)	2A Total	2B	2B (Cont'd)	2B Total	3rd	3rd (Cont'd)	3rd Total	4th	Family Preference Total	1st	2nd	3rd	3rd Other Workers	3rd Total
North America-Continent																			
Mexico	782	26,247	0	0	0	26,247	916	0	916	1,528	0	1,528	4,802	34,275	56	2	226	99	325
Nicaragua	62	27	0	78	0	105	56	0	56	31	0	31	79	333	0	0	27	20	47
Panama	68	1	0	21	0	22	41	0	41	56	0	56	65	252	0	0	2	1	3
Saint Kitts and Nevis	42	1	0	12	0	13	26	0	26	16	0	16	110	207	0	5	1	11	12
Saint Lucia	62	1	0	9	0	10	12	0	12	4	0	4	46	134	0	0	0	12	12
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	305	17	0	85	0	102	120	0	120	266	0	266	541	1,334	10	2	28	134	162
Trinidad and Tobago																			
Region Total for North America	7,853	28,285	0	7,882	0	35,897	7,332	0	7,332	3,923	0	3,923	10,970	65,344	488	305	815	973	1,788
Oceania																			
Australia	6	4	0	0	0	4	2	0	2	5	0	5	21	38	15	4	12	0	12
Christmas Island	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cocos Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fiji	9	1	0	22	0	23	30	0	30	50	0	50	886	1,008	0	0	11	0	11
Kiribati	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Marshall Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Micronesia, Federated States of	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nauru	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Zealand	4	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	7	0	7	5	17	9	0	8	0	8
Cook Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Niue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Palau	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Papua New Guinea	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Samoa	1	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	5	0	5	11	9	0	0	0	0	0
Solomon Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tonga	6	0	0	11	0	11	7	0	7	0	0	0	31	75	0	0	0	4	4
Tuvalu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vanuatu	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	4	0	0	0	0	0

Table VI (Part II)
Preference Visas Issued (Continued)
Fiscal Year 1998

Foreign State	4th SD	4th SE	4th SF	4th SG	4th SH	4th SJ	4th SK	4th SL	4th SR	4th Total	5th Employment Creation	5th Target Employment	5th Regional Pilot Program	5th Regional Target Areas	5th Total	Employment Preference Total	Grand Total
North America—Continued																	
Mexico	34	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	63	4	0	0	0	4	450	34,725
Nicaragua	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	51	384
Panama	8	57	0	10	0	0	0	0	2	77	1	0	0	0	1	81	333
Saint Kitts and Nevis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	238
Saint Lucia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	234
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	15	149
Trinidad and Tobago	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	11	0	0	0	0	0	185	1,519
Region Total for North America	149	121	0	10	0	0	2	0	175	457	5	0	0	1	6	3,334	60,458
Oceania																	
Australia	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	35	73
Christmas Island	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cocos Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fiji	0	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	19	0	0	0	0	0	20	1,028
Kiribati	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Marshall Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Micronesia, Federated States of	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nauru	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Zealand	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	7	1	0	0	0	1	25	42
Cook Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Niue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Palau	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Papua New Guinea	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Samoa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
Solomon Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tonga	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	79
Tuvalu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vanuatu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4

Table VI (Part I)
Preference Visas Issued (Continued)
Fiscal Year 1998

Foreign State	Family Preferences: 1st	2A Exempt	2A Exempt (Cont'd)	2A Subject	2A Subject (Cont'd)	2A Total	2B	2B (Cont'd)	2B Total	3rd	3rd (Cont'd)	3rd Total	4th	Family Preference Total	Employment Preferences: 1st	2nd	3rd	3rd Other Members	3rd Total
Oceania-Continued																			
Region Total for Oceania	27	5	0	35	0	41	39	0	39	67	0	67	977	3,151	25	4	21	4	25
South America																			
Argentina	16	0	0	5	0	5	8	0	8	20	0	20	45	94	15	12	26	16	42
Bolivia	38	7	0	60	0	67	24	0	24	9	0	9	59	197	2	0	84	16	100
Brazil	43	19	0	79	0	98	30	0	30	42	0	42	76	289	45	2	48	32	80
Chile	19	1	0	14	0	15	20	0	20	39	0	39	101	194	4	0	14	2	16
Colombia	442	34	0	299	0	333	407	0	407	238	0	238	995	2,415	9	5	48	44	92
Ecuador	340	129	0	541	0	670	485	0	485	295	0	295	502	2,292	2	2	169	50	219
Guyana	312	6	0	138	0	144	232	0	232	579	0	579	600	1,867	5	1	10	34	44
Paraguay	0	1	0	2	0	3	8	0	8	0	0	0	13	24	5	0	0	11	11
Peru	373	32	0	335	0	367	533	0	533	260	0	260	810	2,343	4	4	180	112	222
Suriname	3	0	0	3	0	3	1	0	1	11	0	11	2	20	0	0	1	0	1
Uruguay	8	2	0	1	0	3	11	0	11	6	0	6	22	50	1	1	2	1	3
Venezuela	56	0	0	24	0	24	20	0	20	30	0	30	30	160	25	8	27	1	28
Region Total for South America	3,650	231	0	3,501	0	3,732	3,779	0	3,779	3,589	0	3,589	3,285	9,045	117	35	509	319	888
Grand Totals	14,353	29,796	0	33,147	0	47,043	17,542	0	17,542	22,385	0	22,385	63,763	169,986	3,309	991	6,852	2,059	9,111

Table VI (Part II)
Preference Visas Issued (Continued)
Fiscal Year 1998

Foreign State	Employment Preferences: 4th SD	4th SE	4th SF	4th SG	4th SH	4th SJ	4th SK	4th SL	4th SR	4th Total	5th Employment Creation	5th Target Employment	5th Regional Pilot Program	5th Regional Target Area	5th Total	Employment Preference Total	Grand Total
Oceania–Continued																	
Region Total for Oceania	8	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	30	1	0	0	0	1	85	1,236
South America																	
Argentina	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	11	0	0	0	0	0	88	174
Bolivia	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	106	303
Brazil	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	131	420
Chile	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	21	215
Colombia	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	15	4	0	0	0	4	125	2,540
Ecuador	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	0	2	0	0	2	230	2,522
Guyana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	8	0	0	0	0	0	58	1,925
Paraguay	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	40
Peru	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	6	0	0	0	0	0	236	2,579
Suriname	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	21
Uruguay	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	6	56
Venezuela	8	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	23	0	0	0	0	0	84	244
Region Total for South America	26	5	2	0	0	0	1	0	44	78	4	2	0	0	6	1,004	11,039
Grand Totals	532	529	2	10	0	0	14	0	725	1,882	122	241	3	146	512	15,825	101,801

Note: See Appendices A–I and B for explanation of the immigrant visa categories used in this table.

In addition to the 101,801 immigrant visas issued in the preference categories, 21 visas were issued during FY–1998 in the "SM" special immigrant category (certain U.S. armed forces personnel and their families); the foreign state breakdown of such issuances is: Japan 1, Philippines 20.

[1] Serbia and Montenegro have proclaimed the formation of a joint independent state, but this entity has not been formally recognized by the United States.

Table VII
Immigrant Number Use
for Visa Issuances and Adjustments of Status
in the Diversity Immigrant Category
Fiscal Years 1995 – 1998

Foreign State	1995	1996	1997	1998
Africa				
Algeria	511	669	321	553
Angola	19	10	11	1
Benin	7	14	29	30
Botswana	4	0	5	1
Burkina Faso	0	1	4	3
Burundi	7	7	1	3
Cameroon	312	344	546	387
Cape Verde	66	112	69	35
Central African Republic	0	11	5	0
Chad	5	7	8	2
Comoros	1	1	0	0
Congo, Republic of the	6	0	3	5
Congo, Democratic Republic of the	97	86	76	88
Cote d'Ivoire	102	140	119	133
Djibouti	7	10	6	8
Egypt	3,081	2,087	1,930	1,910
Equatorial Guinea	0	0	0	2
Eritrea	484	279	652	354
Ethiopia	3,539	3,272	3,051	2,163
Gabon	3	10	2	3
Gambia	66	77	38	41
Ghana	2,265	3,850	2,720	2,057
Guinea	76	64	55	87
Guinea-Bissau	3	0	0	0
Kenya	862	544	505	835
Lesotho	0	0	1	0
Liberia	320	423	570	663
Libya	56	40	11	43
Madagascar	13	14	19	4
Malawi	17	23	46	14
Mali	60	51	53	44
Mauritania	4	2	3	5
Mauritius	32	27	15	22
Morocco	769	383	1,270	1,255
Mozambique	11	7	4	0
Namibia	4	2	0	3
Niger	2	10	6	2
Nigeria	3,852	3,858	3,750	3,008
Rwanda	10	20	15	17
Sao Tome and Principe	0	0	3	0
Senegal	392	264	181	142
Seychelles	0	0	0	0
Sierra Leone	429	1,026	867	500
Somalia	351	301	226	285
South Africa	953	694	369	467
Sudan	692	1,002	699	888

Table VII
Immigrant Number Use
for Visa Issuances and Adjustments of Status
in the Diversity Immigrant Category (Continued)
Fiscal Years 1995 – 1998

Foreign State	1995	1996	1997	1998
Africa-Continued				
Swaziland	1	0	2	1
Tanzania	322	214	185	186
Togo	40	180	120	256
Tunisia	88	95	50	81
Uganda	196	189	143	113
Zambia	60	55	98	77
Zimbabwe	117	117	66	30
Africa Total	**20,314**	**20,522**	**18,908**	**16,727**
Asia				
Afghanistan	132	69	56	57
Bahrain	5	0	2	0
Bangladesh	3,208	2,943	3,362	3,347
Bhutan	0	0	1	0
Brunei	0	0	0	1
Burma	141	140	204	232
Cambodia	32	26	5	10
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region	328	250	375	215
Indonesia	71	89	98	152
Iran	281	280	326	303
Iraq	41	34	45	41
Israel	36	56	24	45
Japan	134	230	297	322
Jordan	71	46	28	72
Korea, North	12	3	2	1
Kuwait	16	19	14	12
Laos	1	4	1	9
Lebanon	56	38	37	53
Malaysia	45	60	36	58
Maldives	0	0	0	0
Mongolia	3	0	0	13
Nepal	74	82	102	168
Oman	1	3	1	0
Pakistan	1,823	1,426	1,365	1,772
Qatar	0	1	1	2
Saudi Arabia	13	12	5	17
Singapore	1	13	10	10
Sri Lanka	200	187	281	312
Syria	23	56	26	49
Thailand	20	45	31	64
United Arab Emirates	6	18	2	8
Yemen	10	34	20	36
Asia Total	**6,864**	**6,364**	**6,757**	**7,461**

Table VII
Immigrant Number Use
for Visa Issuances and Adjustments of Status
in the Diversity Immigrant Category (Continued)
Fiscal Years 1995 – 1998

Foreign State	1995	1996	1997	1998
Europe				
Albania	672	2,487	3,850	3,706
Andorra	0	0	0	0
Armenia	766	1,331	1,090	472
Austria	139	86	97	84
Azerbaijan	232	256	181	207
Belarus	259	304	286	405
Belgium	122	101	68	47
Bosnia and Herzegovina	112	83	70	35
Bulgaria	1,355	772	2,224	3,545
Croatia	213	169	119	92
Cyprus	32	28	24	14
Czech Republic	124	108	115	82
Denmark	108	60	53	48
Greenland	0	0	0	0
Estonia	60	51	46	26
Finland	157	189	77	80
France	508	343	291	333
French Guiana	1	0	0	0
French Polynesia	2	0	3	0
French Southern and Antarctic Lands	0	0	0	0
Guadeloupe	2	0	0	0
Martinique	0	1	2	0
New Caledonia	0	0	0	0
Reunion	0	0	0	0
St. Pierre and Miquelon	0	0	0	0
Wallis and Futuna	0	0	0	0
Georgia	148	264	133	137
Germany	998	1,038	1,074	1,195
Greece	171	127	76	42
Hungary	226	251	172	168
Iceland	32	51	29	22
Ireland	481	518	459	367
Italy	413	282	262	274
Kazakhstan	82	217	129	256
Kyrgyzstan	34	33	24	46
Latvia	118	82	97	110
Liechtenstein	0	4	1	0
Lithuania	436	525	484	1,020
Luxembourg	2	9	4	0
Macedonia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of	106	256	172	209
Malta	15	1	3	3
Moldova	153	192	102	166
Monaco	1	0	0	0
Netherlands	241	186	124	100
Aruba	2	0	1	0
Netherlands Antilles	7	6	6	1

Table VII
Immigrant Number Use
for Visa Issuances and Adjustments of Status
in the Diversity Immigrant Category (Continued)
Fiscal Years 1995 – 1998

Region/State	1995	1996	1997	1998
Europe–Continued				
Northern Ireland [1]	100	79	47	54
Norway	100	90	23	35
Poland [2]	3,851	3,849	3,838	-
Portugal	576	227	188	74
Macau	141	157	85	53
Romania	2,727	1,933	2,667	3,026
Russia	2,581	2,165	1,937	2,013
San Marino	0	0	0	0
Serbia-Montenegro [3]	812	489	480	407
Slovakia	406	419	485	253
Slovenia	16	17	18	5
Spain	222	151	107	96
Western Sahara	0	0	0	0
Sweden	234	284	140	126
Switzerland	209	202	304	272
Tajikistan	51	26	42	44
Turkey	1,404	1,556	1,613	1,520
Turkmenistan	5	23	21	45
Ukraine	2,147	2,195	1,982	2,657
Uzbekistan	177	232	183	256
Vatican City	0	0	0	0
Europe Total	**24,289**	**24,585**	**26,978**	**24,328**
North America				
Bahamas	6	10	9	7
North America Total	**6**	**10**	**9**	**7**
Oceania				
Australia	191	103	132	121
Christmas Island	0	0	0	0
Cocos Islands	0	0	0	0
Fiji	494	538	460	478
Kiribati	0	0	0	0
Marshall Islands	0	0	0	0
Micronesia, Federated States of	0	0	0	0
Nauru	0	0	0	0
New Zealand	79	51	80	82
Cook Islands	0	0	0	0
Niue	0	0	0	0
Palau	0	0	0	0
Papua New Guinea	1	0	0	2
Samoa	2	1	0	2

Table VII
Immigrant Number Use
for Visa Issuances and Adjustments of Status
in the Diversity Immigrant Category (Continued)
Fiscal Years 1995 – 1998

Foreign State	1995	1996	1997	1998
Oceania–Continued				
Solomon Islands	0	0	0	0
Tonga	33	14	40	19
Tuvalu	0	0	0	0
Vanuatu	0	0	0	0
Oceania Total	**880**	**787**	**712**	**704**
South America, Central America and the Caribbean				
Antigua and Barbuda	2	7	1	0
Argentina	49	92	94	85
Barbados	10	10	5	9
Belize	2	0	8	2
Bolivia	41	61	50	22
Brazil	194	219	213	219
Chile	24	42	36	32
Colombia [4]	318	-	2	-
Costa Rica	26	6	16	19
Cuba	166	358	1,014	880
Dominica	6	11	8	13
Ecuador	281	234	224	140
Grenada	31	13	6	6
Guatemala	170	75	103	82
Guyana	167	63	47	47
Haiti	181	72	46	69
Honduras	68	71	34	53
Nicaragua	116	135	75	48
Panama	13	15	10	9
Paraguay	7	11	3	12
Peru	468	434	293	355
Saint Kitts and Nevis	0	0	0	2
Saint Lucia	4	6	3	7
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	7	2	4	6
Suriname	25	5	6	3
Trinidad and Tobago	253	164	106	104
Uruguay	19	18	10	5
Venezuela	137	140	126	129
South America, Central America and the Caribbean Total	**2,785**	**2,264**	**2,543**	**2,438**
Grand Total	**55,058**	**54,162**	**55,027**	**51,565**

Table VII
Immigrant Number Use
for Visa Issuances and Adjustments of Status
in the Diversity Immigrant Category (Continued)
Fiscal Years 1995 – 1998

Note: Numbers assigned to issued visas that are not used are recaptured in accordance with Section 206 of the Immigration and Nationality Act and can be used again for the issuance of other visas. Therefore, the total of visas issued and adjustments of status may exceed a specified numerical limitation.

[1] In accordance with Section 203(c)(1)(F) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, for purposes of administering the diversity program, Northern Ireland is treated as a separate foreign state.

[2] Poland did not qualify for the FY–1998 Diversity Visa Program.

[3] Serbia and Montenegro have proclaimed the formation of a joint independent state, but this entity has not been formally recognized by the United States.

[4] Colombia did not qualify for the FY–1996, FY–1997, or FY–1998 Diversity Visa Program. Diversity Visa numbers were allocated during FY–1997 pursuant to Section 637 of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act (P.L. 104–208) for 2 applicants chargeable to Colombia to permit adjustment of status applications initially filed during FY–1995 to be completed.

Table VIII
Immediate Relative Visas Issued
Fiscal Year 1998

Foreign State	Spouse of U.S. Citizen [IR-1]	Spouse of U.S. Citizen (Conditional) [CR-1]	Child of U.S. Citizen [IR-2]	Child of U.S. Citizen (Conditional) [CR-2]	Orphan Adopted Abroad by U.S. Citizen [IR-3]	Orphan to be Adopted in U.S. by Citizen [IR-4]	Parent of U.S. Citizen of Least 21 Years of Age [IR-5]	Parent of U.S. Citizen who Acquired Status Under P.L. 97-271 [VR-5]	Widow(er) of U.S. Citizen [IW-1]	Child of Widow(er) of U.S. Citizen [IW-2]	Total
Africa											
Algeria	11	28	3	1	0	2	26	0	0	0	71
Angola	0	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	4
Benin	2	3	7	2	1	0	4	0	0	0	19
Botswana	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Burkina Faso	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burundi	2	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Cameroon	13	29	36	7	2	0	27	0	0	0	114
Cape Verde	13	15	119	44	0	0	96	0	0	0	287
Central African Republic	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Chad	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Comoros	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Congo, Republic of the	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Congo, Dem. Rep. of the	8	6	28	2	0	0	8	0	0	0	52
Cote d'Ivoire	4	8	25	7	0	0	11	0	0	0	45
Djibouti	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Egypt	154	399	154	29	0	5	245	0	0	0	986
Equatorial Guinea	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Eritrea	26	31	24	0	0	1	24	0	0	0	126
Ethiopia	51	303	334	13	87	9	174	0	0	0	991
Gabon	1	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Gambia	3	9	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21
Ghana	120	123	515	40	1	8	138	0	0	0	945
Guinea	3	6	11	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	24
Guinea-Bissau	0	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Kenya	13	40	17	4	4	2	19	0	0	0	99
Lesotho	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2
Liberia	10	40	205	31	9	0	59	0	0	0	354
Libya	11	25	8	2	0	0	18	0	0	0	64
Madagascar	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Malawi	1	3	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	7
Mali	0	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	8

Table VIII
Immediate Relative Visas Issued (Continued)
Fiscal Year 1998

Foreign State	Spouse of U.S. Citizen (IR-1)	Spouse of U.S. Citizen (Conditional) (CR-1)	Child of U.S. Citizen (IR-2)	Child of U.S. Citizen (Conditional) (CR-2)	Orphan Adopted Abroad by U.S. Citizen (IR-3)	Orphan to be Adopted in U.S. by Citizen (IR-4)	Parent of U.S. Citizen at Least 21 Years of Age (IR-5)	Parent of U.S. Citizen who Acquired Status Under P.L. 97-359 (VI-5)	Widow(er) of U.S. Citizen (IR-1)	Child of Widow(er) of U.S. Citizen (IR-2)	Total
Africa-Continued											
Mauritania	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Mauritius	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Morocco	35	289	25	20	0	1	127	0	1	0	478
Mozambique	1	5	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	7
Namibia	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Niger	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3
Nigeria	189	344	564	12	3	8	788	0	0	0	1,888
Rwanda	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Sao Tome and Principe	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Senegal	18	23	33	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	77
Seychelles	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Sierra Leone	5	22	75	2	0	17	32	0	0	0	153
Somalia	12	21	9	2	3	0	43	0	1	0	91
South Africa	51	70	25	6	1	1	57	0	1	0	212
Sudan	9	41	11	0	0	0	24	0	0	0	85
Swaziland	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Tanzania	4	14	1	2	0	1	16	0	0	0	38
Togo	1	1	2	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	7
Tunisia	16	31	1	1	0	0	7	0	0	0	56
Uganda	2	8	13	0	1	1	11	0	0	0	36
Zambia	6	5	2	0	2	1	2	0	0	0	18
Zimbabwe	9	12	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	25
Region Total for Africa	822	1,086	2,373	235	115	57	1,063	0	3	0	5,484
Asia											
Afghanistan	128	121	25	1	0	3	109	0	0	0	387
Bahrain	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Bangladesh	448	416	683	4	0	7	1,357	0	0	0	2,915

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Asia–Continued											
Bhutan	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Brunei	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Burma	11	70	11	0	0	0	88	0	0	0	180
Cambodia	29	437	27	48	180	69	128	0	0	0	918
China–mainland born	379	1,732	281	425	3,766	440	3,574	0	0	0	10,597
–Taiwan born	145	145	79	18	16	14	411	0	2	0	830
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region	48	53	44	23	10	17	111	0	0	0	306
India	684	2,140	621	69	34	444	4,694	0	0	0	8,686
Indonesia	64	134	38	11	5	0	47	0	0	0	299
Iran	168	551	100	50	1	1	2,005	0	0	0	2,876
Iraq	34	135	32	2	0	0	304	0	0	0	507
Israel	105	148	41	5	0	0	176	0	0	0	475
Japan	628	637	82	16	14	25	61	0	5	0	1,468
Jordan	112	534	180	40	1	0	364	0	0	0	1,231
Korea, North	1	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	0	0	21
Korea, South	237	646	136	45	19	1,810	374	0	0	0	3,267
Kuwait	30	117	35	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	187
Laos	10	38	46	2	0	0	66	0	0	0	162
Lebanon	92	472	94	14	10	8	417	0	4	0	1,111
Malaysia	35	65	11	10	0	0	25	0	1	0	147
Maldives	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mongolia	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Nepal	4	18	8	3	19	0	9	0	0	0	61
Oman	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Pakistan	1,104	373	1,701	3	0	24	1,120	0	0	0	4,325
Philippines	1,483	1,970	3,145	413	33	167	4,343	0	15	3	11,572
Qatar	4	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11
Saudi Arabia	21	32	35	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	92
Singapore	26	30	5	1	0	0	15	0	0	0	77
Sri Lanka	28	46	23	3	1	1	78	0	0	0	180

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Asia--Continued											
Syria	51	313	52	11	0	1	284	0	1	0	713
Thailand	115	198	108	49	5	79	89	0	1	0	644
United Arab Emirates	2	15	15	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	34
Vietnam	635	1,254	441	72	465	138	1,196	0	0	0	4,201
Yemen	173	129	698	0	0	0	18	0	10	0	1,028
Region Total for Asia	**7,036**	**12,980**	**8,802**	**1,345**	**4,579**	**3,248**	**21,487**	**0**	**39**	**3**	**59,519**
Europe											
Albania	58	66	15	1	10	0	96	0	2	0	248
Andorra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Armenia	8	59	5	9	7	0	20	0	0	0	108
Austria	36	46	1	5	0	0	5	0	0	0	93
Azerbaijan	5	13	3	5	0	0	22	0	0	0	48
Belarus	7	34	8	23	2	0	21	0	0	0	95
Belgium	39	62	7	3	0	0	6	0	0	0	117
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1	33	0	2	0	0	11	0	0	0	47
Bulgaria	11	55	9	11	50	101	34	0	0	0	271
Croatia	4	41	6	1	3	0	11	0	0	0	66
Cyprus	15	16	1	1	0	0	10	0	0	0	43
Czech Republic	22	90	8	2	1	0	12	0	0	0	135
Denmark	35	83	4	11	0	0	4	0	1	0	138
Greenland	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Estonia	4	19	0	11	4	2	2	0	0	0	42
Finland	14	55	3	2	0	0	4	0	0	0	78
France	192	166	41	13	0	0	33	0	3	0	448
French Guiana	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
French Polynesia	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

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Europe--Continued											
French Southern and Antarctic Lands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Guadeloupe	1	1	5	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	10
Martinique	1	0	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	6
New Caledonia	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Reunion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Pierre and Miquelon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wallis and Futuna	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia	0	4	0	6	2	4	10	0	0	0	26
Germany	883	716	167	99	1	0	89	0	4	0	1,959
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	561	619	130	54	1	2	107	0	2	0	1,476
Anguilla	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	4
Bermuda	9	15	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	26
British Virgin Islands	2	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Cayman Islands	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Falkland Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gibraltar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Montserrat	1	1	2	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	9
Pitcairn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Helena	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Turks and Caicos Islands	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Greece	92	112	28	12	3	0	46	0	0	0	293
Hungary	31	110	18	3	34	0	25	0	0	0	221
Iceland	8	10	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24
Ireland	41	65	14	2	0	0	8	0	0	0	130
Italy	152	168	23	4	0	1	57	0	0	0	405
Kazakhstan	5	36	2	11	44	10	4	0	0	0	112
Kyrgyzstan	2	7	4	6	2	2	0	0	0	0	23
Latvia	3	10	1	14	30	46	3	0	0	0	107

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Europe--Continued											
Liechtenstein	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Lithuania	7	34	12	28	72	0	10	0	0	0	163
Luxembourg	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Macedonia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of	20	140	28	2	8	0	43	0	0	0	241
Malta	11	8	4	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	29
Moldova	1	13	11	8	45	1	5	0	0	0	84
Monaco	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Netherlands	81	82	15	11	0	0	7	0	0	0	196
Aruba	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3
Netherlands Antilles	4	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
Norway	44	60	11	20	0	0	3	0	0	0	138
Poland	191	174	271	62	77	0	214	0	2	0	991
Portugal	35	84	21	11	2	9	37	0	1	0	200
Macau	1	0	1	2	0	0	10	0	0	0	14
Romania	47	385	47	61	213	193	148	0	0	0	1,094
Russia	83	327	52	170	4,335	156	110	0	0	0	5,233
San Marino	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Serbia-Montenegro [1]	27	201	21	29	3	1	90	0	0	0	372
Slovakia	6	39	3	3	0	2	6	0	0	0	59
Slovenia	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Spain	96	141	11	10	0	1	21	0	0	0	280
Western Sahara	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sweden	72	155	13	4	0	0	7	0	0	0	251
Switzerland	66	79	16	3	0	0	16	0	0	0	180
Tajikistan	0	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Turkey	89	165	98	37	2	0	158	0	0	0	549
Turkmenistan	0	4	0	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	9
Ukraine	40	174	67	108	174	6	95	0	0	0	664
Uzbekistan	5	25	2	11	0	1	5	0	0	0	49
Vatican City	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Europe–Continued											
Region Total for Europe	**3,176**	**5,020**	**1,229**	**904**	**5,125**	**538**	**1,641**	**0**	**15**	**0**	**17,648**
North America											
Antigua and Barbuda	3	3	14	1	0	0	29	0	0	0	50
Bahamas	13	15	7	12	0	0	7	0	0	0	54
Barbados	10	16	68	21	0	0	35	0	0	0	150
Belize	11	14	29	25	4	0	13	0	0	0	96
Canada	338	301	117	25	0	0	61	0	0	0	842
Costa Rica	59	122	69	53	7	0	14	0	0	0	324
Cuba	62	177	145	72	0	0	274	0	0	0	730
Dominica	9	15	93	9	0	0	57	0	0	0	183
Dominican Republic	1,125	508	2,710	392	12	1	1,507	0	0	0	6,255
El Salvador	207	154	922	156	10	3	3,062	0	0	0	4,514
Grenada	6	17	84	28	1	2	28	0	0	0	166
Guatemala	114	100	551	52	220	749	540	0	0	0	2,326
Haiti	921	201	1,762	14	38	83	1,263	0	1	0	4,283
Honduras	149	204	968	274	8	1	486	0	3	0	2,093
Jamaica	310	514	1,729	600	6	32	723	0	0	0	3,914
Mexico	3,180	1,186	5,033	194	167	1	12,499	0	10	3	22,273
Nicaragua	74	88	164	76	16	0	100	0	0	0	518
Panama	111	308	150	100	14	2	83	0	0	0	768
Saint Kitts and Nevis	6	7	31	1	0	0	21	0	0	0	66
Saint Lucia	5	13	62	7	2	0	27	0	0	0	116
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	6	4	59	12	3	1	19	0	0	0	104
Trinidad and Tobago	55	131	295	125	0	7	164	0	1	2	780
Region Total for North America	**6,774**	**4,098**	**15,062**	**2,249**	**508**	**882**	**21,012**	**0**	**15**	**5**	**50,605**

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Oceania											
Australia	207	242	31	26	0	0	6	0	1	0	513
Christmas Island	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cocos Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fiji	25	75	9	11	0	1	73	0	0	0	194
Kiribati	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Marshall Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Micronesia, Federated States of	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Nauru	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Zealand	62	85	21	2	2	0	4	0	0	0	176
Cook Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Niue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Palau	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Papua New Guinea	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Samoa	11	11	12	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	36
Solomon Islands	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Tonga	5	8	5	0	0	1	8	0	0	0	27
Tuvalu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vanuatu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Region Total for Oceania	**310**	**427**	**80**	**40**	**2**	**2**	**93**	**0**	**1**	**0**	**955**
South America											
Argentina	34	44	30	6	0	0	56	0	0	0	170
Bolivia	31	52	79	28	73	0	91	0	0	0	354
Brazil	111	164	144	71	90	0	73	0	0	0	653
Chile	45	96	53	25	4	22	32	0	0	0	277
Colombia	334	726	901	597	236	0	1,027	0	5	0	3,826
Ecuador	248	272	663	150	55	0	614	0	0	0	2,002

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South America–Continued											
Guyana	72	138	167	42	5	1	251	0	0	0	676
Paraguay	7	23	20	10	7	0	6	0	0	0	73
Peru	188	678	538	565	26	0	1,031	0	0	0	3,026
Suriname	3	5	8	4	2	0	5	0	0	0	27
Uruguay	14	24	7	1	0	0	15	0	0	0	61
Venezuela	65	110	132	56	2	4	65	0	0	0	434
Region Total for South America	**1,152**	**2,332**	**2,742**	**1,555**	**500**	**27**	**3,266**	**0**	**5**	**0**	**11,579**
Grand Totals	**19,270**	**26,843**	**30,188**	**6,328**	**10,829**	**4,754**	**49,462**	**0**	**78**	**8**	**147,760**

[1] Serbia and Montenegro have proclaimed the formation of a joint independent state, but this entity has not been formally recognized by the United States.

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Foreign State	SB	SC-1	SC-2	Total
Africa				
Algeria	3	0	0	3
Angola	0	0	0	0
Benin	0	0	0	0
Botswana	0	0	0	0
Burkina Faso	1	0	0	1
Burundi	0	0	0	0
Cameroon	0	0	0	0
Cape Verde	4	0	0	4
Central African Republic	0	0	0	0
Chad	0	0	0	0
Comoros	0	0	0	0
Congo, Republic of the	0	0	0	0
Congo, Democratic Republic of the	0	0	0	0
Cote d'Ivoire	0	0	0	0
Djibouti	0	0	0	0
Egypt	30	0	0	30
Equatorial Guinea	1	0	0	1
Eritrea	3	0	0	3
Ethiopia	1	0	0	1
Gabon	0	0	0	0
Gambia	0	0	0	0
Ghana	2	0	0	2
Guinea	0	0	0	0
Guinea-Bissau	0	0	0	0
Kenya	0	0	0	0
Lesotho	0	0	0	0
Liberia	5	0	0	5
Libya	0	0	0	0
Madagascar	0	0	0	0
Malawi	1	0	0	1
Mali	0	0	0	0
Mauritania	0	0	0	0
Mauritius	0	0	0	0
Morocco	0	0	0	0
Mozambique	0	0	0	0
Namibia	0	0	0	0
Niger	0	0	0	0
Nigeria	2	0	0	2
Rwanda	0	0	0	0
Sao Tome and Principe	0	0	0	0
Senegal	0	0	0	0
Seychelles	0	0	0	0
Sierra Leone	0	0	0	0
Somalia	0	0	0	0
South Africa	6	0	0	6
Sudan	1	0	0	1
Swaziland	0	0	0	0
Tanzania	2	0	0	2
Togo	0	0	0	0

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Foreign State	SB	SC-1	SC-2	Total
Africa–Continued				
Tunisia	0	0	0	0
Uganda	0	0	0	0
Zambia	0	0	0	0
Zimbabwe	5	0	0	5
Region Total for Africa	**67**	**0**	**0**	**67**
Asia				
Afghanistan	0	0	0	0
Bahrain	0	0	0	0
Bangladesh	2	0	0	2
Bhutan	0	0	0	0
Brunei	0	0	0	0
Burma	7	0	0	7
Cambodia	0	0	0	0
China–mainland born	24	0	0	24
–Taiwan born	13	0	0	13
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region	3	0	0	3
India	157	0	0	157
Indonesia	9	0	0	9
Iran	11	0	0	11
Iraq	2	0	0	2
Israel	20	0	0	20
Japan	11	0	0	11
Jordan	3	0	0	3
Korea, North	0	0	0	0
Korea, South	23	0	0	23
Kuwait	0	0	0	0
Laos	3	0	0	3
Lebanon	5	0	0	5
Malaysia	2	0	0	2
Maldives	0	0	0	0
Mongolia	0	0	0	0
Nepal	0	0	0	0
Oman	0	0	0	0
Pakistan	21	0	0	21
Philippines	48	0	0	48
Qatar	0	0	0	0
Saudi Arabia	3	0	0	3
Singapore	2	0	0	2
Sri Lanka	1	0	0	1
Syria	7	0	0	7
Thailand	34	0	0	34
United Arab Emirates	0	0	0	0
Vietnam	1	0	0	1
Yemen	0	0	0	0
Region Total for Asia	**412**	**0**	**0**	**412**

Table IX
Special Immigrant Visas Issued (Continued)
Fiscal Year 1998

Foreign State	SB	SC-1	SC-2	Total
Europe				
Albania	0	0	0	0
Andorra	0	0	0	0
Armenia	0	0	0	0
Austria	3	0	0	3
Azerbaijan	3	0	0	3
Belarus	1	0	0	1
Belgium	0	0	0	0
Bosnia and Herzegovina	2	0	0	2
Bulgaria	1	0	0	1
Croatia	2	0	0	2
Cyprus	0	0	0	0
Czech Republic	2	0	0	2
Denmark	3	0	0	3
Greenland	0	0	0	0
Estonia	0	0	0	0
Finland	4	0	0	4
France	4	0	0	4
French Guiana	0	0	0	0
French Polynesia	0	0	0	0
French Southern and Antarctic Lands	0	0	0	0
Guadeloupe	0	0	0	0
Martinique	0	0	0	0
New Caledonia	1	0	0	1
Reunion	0	0	0	0
St. Pierre and Miquelon	0	0	0	0
Wallis and Futuna	0	0	0	0
Georgia	0	0	0	0
Germany	7	0	0	7
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	18	0	0	18
Anguilla	0	0	0	0
Bermuda	0	0	0	0
British Virgin Islands	0	0	0	0
Cayman Islands	0	0	0	0
Falkland Islands	0	0	0	0
Gibraltar	0	0	0	0
Montserrat	0	0	0	0
Pitcairn	0	0	0	0
St. Helena	0	0	0	0
Turks and Caicos Islands	0	0	0	0
Greece	19	0	0	19
Hungary	2	0	0	2
Iceland	2	0	0	2
Ireland	9	0	0	9
Italy	18	0	0	18
Kazakhstan	0	0	0	0
Kyrgyzstan	1	0	0	1
Latvia	0	0	0	0
Liechtenstein	0	0	0	0
Lithuania	1	0	0	1

Table IX
Special Immigrant Visas Issued (Continued)
Fiscal Year 1998

Foreign State	SB	SC-1	SC-2	Total
Europe--Continued				
Luxembourg	0	0	0	0
Macedonia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of	0	0	0	0
Malta	1	0	0	1
Moldova	1	0	0	1
Monaco	0	0	0	0
Netherlands	5	0	0	5
Aruba	0	0	0	0
Netherlands Antilles	0	0	0	0
Norway	0	0	0	0
Poland	15	0	0	15
Portugal	10	0	0	10
Macau	2	0	0	2
Romania	6	0	0	6
Russia	6	0	0	6
San Marino	0	0	0	0
Serbia-Montenegro [1]	3	0	0	3
Slovakia	1	0	0	1
Slovenia	0	0	0	0
Spain	7	0	0	7
Western Sahara	0	0	0	0
Sweden	7	0	0	7
Switzerland	4	0	0	4
Tajikistan	0	0	0	0
Turkey	6	0	0	6
Turkmenistan	0	0	0	0
Ukraine	0	0	0	0
Uzbekistan	0	0	0	0
Vatican City	0	0	0	0
Region Total for Europe	**177**	**0**	**0**	**177**
North America				
Antigua and Barbuda	0	0	0	0
Bahamas	0	0	0	0
Barbados	3	0	0	3
Belize	0	0	0	0
Canada	4	0	0	4
Costa Rica	1	0	0	1
Cuba	1	0	0	1
Dominica	0	0	0	0
Dominican Republic	6	0	0	6
El Salvador	1	0	0	1
Grenada	0	0	0	0
Guatemala	3	0	0	3
Haiti	8	0	0	8
Honduras	0	0	0	0
Jamaica	2	0	0	2
Mexico	1	0	0	1

Table IV.
Special Immigrant Visas Issued (Continued)
Fiscal Year 1998

Foreign State	SB	SC-1	SC-2	Total
North America–Continued				
Nicaragua	0	0	0	0
Panama	1	0	0	1
Saint Kitts and Nevis	0	0	0	0
Saint Lucia	0	0	0	0
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	0	0	0	0
Trinidad and Tobago	6	0	0	6
Region Total for North America	**37**	**0**	**0**	**37**
Oceania				
Australia	7	0	0	7
Christmas Island	0	0	0	0
Cocos Islands	0	0	0	0
Fiji	1	0	0	1
Kiribati	0	0	0	0
Marshall Islands	0	0	0	0
Micronesia, Federated States of	0	0	0	0
Nauru	0	0	0	0
New Zealand	8	0	0	8
Cook Islands	0	0	0	0
Niue	0	0	0	0
Palau	0	0	0	0
Papua New Guinea	0	0	0	0
Samoa	0	0	0	0
Solomon Islands	0	0	0	0
Tonga	0	0	0	0
Tuvalu	0	0	0	0
Vanuatu	0	0	0	0
Region Total for Oceania	**16**	**0**	**0**	**16**
South America				
Argentina	0	0	0	0
Bolivia	4	0	0	4
Brazil	1	0	0	1
Chile	4	0	0	4
Colombia	9	0	0	9
Ecuador	3	0	0	3
Guyana	4	0	0	4
Paraguay	1	0	0	1
Peru	10	0	0	10
Suriname	0	0	0	0
Uruguay	3	0	0	3
Venezuela	0	0	0	0
Region Total for South America	**39**	**0**	**0**	**39**

Table IX
Special Immigrant Visas Issued (Continued)
Fiscal Year 1998

Foreign State	SB	SC-1	SC-2	Total
Grand Totals	**748**	**0**	**0**	**748**

Note: See Appendix B for explanation of the immigrant visa symbols used in this table.

Beginning with FY-92, issuances for most Special Immigrant classes (ministers of religion, certain employees of the U.S. Government abroad, certain former employees of the Panama Canal Company, Canal Zone Government, or U.S. Government in the Canal Zone, spouse and children of certain foreign medical graduates, certain international organization employees, certain juvenile court dependents, and certain religious workers) are included under the Employment-Based Fourth Preference.

[1] Serbia and Montenegro have proclaimed the formation of a joint independent state, but this entity has not been formally recognized by the United States.

Table X
Immigrant Visas Issued Under the Vietnam Amerasian Category Established Under Section 584 of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 1988 (as Contained in Section 101(e) of P.L. 100–202, as Amended)
Fiscal Years 1988 – 1998

Fiscal Year 1998

Area of Birth	Vietnam Amerasian Principal AM–1	Spouse/Child of AM–1 AM–2	Certain Relatives of AM–1 AM–3	Total
Philippines	0	1	0	1
Vietnam	117	171	110	398
Grand Totals	**117**	**172**	**110**	**399**

Fiscal Years 1988 – 1998

Fiscal Year	Vietnam Amerasian Principal AM–1	Spouse/Child of AM–1 AM–2	Certain Relatives of AM–1 AM–3	Total
1988	907	44	1,680	2,631
1989	3,050	341	6,790	10,181
1990	5,566	1,525	10,730	17,821
1991	4,729	2,183	10,114	17,026
1992	3,817	2,453	10,302	16,572
1993	1,397	1,164	2,803	5,364
1994	291	312	654	1,257
1995	239	253	448	940
1996	249	383	332	964
1997	215	379	241	835
1998	117	172	110	399
Grand Totals	**20,577**	**9,209**	**44,204**	**73,990**

Table XI
Immigrant Issuances in the "SM" Special Immigrant Category for Certain U.S. Armed Forces Personnel and Their Families
Fiscal Year 1998

Classification	Japan	Philippines	Total
Alien recruited outside the U.S. who has served, or is enlisted to serve, in the U.S. Armed Forces for 12 years (became eligible after October 1, 1991)	0	11	11
Spouse of the abovementioned alien	0	10	10
Child of the abovementioned alien	3	8	11
Alien recruited outside the U.S. who has served, or is enlisted to serve, in the U.S. Armed Forces for 12 years (eligible as of October 1, 1991)	0	0	0
Spouse or child of the abovementioned alien	0	0	0
Totals	**3**	**29**	**32**

Note: Of the 32 total issuances in the "SM" category in FY–98, 21 represent immigrant visas issued at consular offices abroad and 11 represent adjustments of status by the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

Table XII
Immediate Relative Visas Issued at Foreign Service Posts
(by Applicant's Area of Birth)
Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998

Foreign State	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Africa										
Algeria	25	49	32	57	50	65	80	66	62	71
Angola	16	9	9	10	6	13	4	6	15	4
Benin	4	4	2	-	4	4	3	4	17	19
Boeswana	5	3	3	4	6	3	4	11	6	4
Burkina Faso	-	2	2	3	3	5	3	6	2	-
Burundi	-	3	3	1	-	1	5	3	10	5
Cameroon	17	14	18	26	35	50	70	86	119	114
Cape Verde	126	99	103	144	190	233	242	263	430	287
Central African Republic	-	5	1	-	5	-	1	4	-	1
Chad	2	2	4	-	-	-	1	2	1	1
Comoros	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	-
Congo, Republic of the	1	-	4	2	1	4	3	8	2	2
Congo, Democratic Republic of the	22	26	22	22	23	32	47	48	70	52
Cote d'Ivoire	6	6	11	15	34	36	31	51	65	45
Djibouti	2	7	7	9	2	1	2	5	12	4
Egypt	705	739	825	896	974	882	966	1,219	1,375	98/
Equatorial Guinea	-	3	3	2	1	1	1	-	2	2
Eritrea [1]					68	167	237	216	189	126
Ethiopia	138	263	232	355	541	472	753	885	1,296	991
Gabon	1	4	4	3	3	-	1	5	6	7
Gambia	12	9	4	7	7	7	25	19	26	21
Ghana	382	380	470	381	407	410	433	766	1,074	945
Guinea	3	3	2	14	11	13	11	19	21	24
Guinea-Bissau	6	1	-	1	2	-	-	5	-	6
Kenya	83	101	104	77	106	101	104	144	146	99
Lesotho	2	4	1	3	2	1	4	7	2	2
Liberia	100	106	91	229	210	311	284	324	458	354
Libya	16	20	23	20	37	37	45	47	55	64
Madagascar	3	7	2	9	9	7	4	10	8	6
Malawi	6	6	6	5	10	4	10	7	6	7
Mali	2	2	4	5	7	2	9	12	6	8
Mauritania	-	3	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	2
Mauritius	8	7	18	12	11	10	7	7	9	3
Morocco	167	199	197	176	256	269	330	413	507	478
Mozambique	7	6	7	4	11	7	8	5	8	7
Namibia	5	2	6	6	6	1	8	5	1	5
Niger	1	2	3	3	9	-	6	8	4	3
Nigeria	229	340	510	830	759	800	1,462	1,856	2,374	1,888
Rwanda	1	-	5	1	2	1	6	4	7	6
Sao Tome and Principe	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1
Senegal	19	26	17	25	29	51	52	69	137	77
Seychelles	3	10	15	8	7	8	10	7	1	3
Sierra Leone	76	86	95	93	105	212	192	307	363	153
Somalia	38	48	38	68	101	104	104	114	134	91
South Africa	174	195	208	224	320	337	226	269	254	212
Sudan	22	24	44	51	42	28	80	113	127	85
Swaziland	2	4	3	2	-	3	5	4	5	3
Tanzania	47	42	63	46	51	60	60	55	64	38
Togo	2	12	7	8	7	6	6	6	14	7
Tunisia	29	27	35	35	29	36	32	42	36	56
Uganda	27	17	26	22	26	51	32	32	46	36
Zambia	16	19	17	20	13	13	25	22	45	18
Zimbabwe	27	33	33	29	39	40	29	36	38	25

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Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998

Foreign State	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Africa–Continued										
Africa Total	**2,586**	**2,979**	**3,339**	**3,963**	**4,578**	**4,899**	**6,064**	**7,626**	**9,637**	**7,454**
Asia										
Afghanistan	133	221	269	209	350	391	341	462	424	387
Bahrain	2	5	7	6	8	8	8	8	9	3
Bangladesh	345	360	585	707	849	602	675	1,017	3,373	2,915
Bhutan	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	-	3	1
Brunei	3	1	2	1	1	2	1	5	1	1
Burma	163	154	118	122	137	147	138	202	213	180
Cambodia	167	180	267	379	335	486	806	820	1,025	918
China—mainland born	6,068	7,905	8,953	8,173	8,867	7,501	8,611	11,067	13,232	10,597
—Taiwan born	1,180	1,322	1,289	1,141	1,053	752	906	1,576	1,362	830
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region [2]			597	500	452	391	448	535	515	306
India	5,413	5,884	7,029	6,501	7,672	6,791	6,580	8,424	12,202	8,686
Indonesia	149	171	143	120	175	166	206	212	237	299
Iran	1,509	1,996	2,140	2,145	2,541	2,974	2,843	3,689	3,829	2,876
Iraq	214	384	28	1,147	962	580	661	660	668	507
Israel	638	671	618	528	588	574	497	596	697	475
Japan	1,006	1,142	1,111	1,049	1,112	1,194	1,383	1,305	1,377	1,468
Jordan	1,224	1,301	1,065	1,253	1,578	1,280	1,511	1,831	2,003	1,231
Korea	10,208	8,539	6,068	5,457	4,607	3,982				
Korea, North							58	78	41	21
Korea, South							3,520	3,252	3,316	3,267
Kuwait	58	59	91	109	174	164	172	227	210	187
Laos	108	128	141	141	202	141	181	192	221	162
Lebanon	831	1,047	1,123	1,178	1,257	1,254	1,120	1,154	1,283	1,111
Malaysia	125	143	159	173	166	162	157	137	177	147
Maldives	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Mongolia	-	-	-	-	3	1	5	3	12	4
Nepal	30	29	38	28	55	55	49	72	67	61
Oman	1	-	-	-	1	5	2	1	1	2
Pakistan	1,191	1,302	1,826	1,832	1,919	1,617	1,721	2,238	3,865	4,325
Philippines	18,514	23,645	24,081	21,823	23,413	20,149	16,134	20,824	19,971	11,572
Qatar	2	1	5	1	9	3	12	6	12	11
Saudi Arabia	30	43	58	46	62	55	83	99	90	92
Singapore	83	75	91	92	99	95	87	77	83	77
Sri Lanka	84	116	119	137	108	155	147	162	181	180
Syria	411	473	491	631	597	627	672	715	814	713
Thailand	850	936	848	703	763	666	613	648	741	644
United Arab Emirates	6	11	12	21	6	13	19	31	42	34
Vietnam	2,991	6,094	7,299	10,850	5,764	4,105	4,534	4,629	6,145	4,201
Yemen [3]			961	1,288	985	537	931	1,110	1,548	1,028
Yemen (Aden) [3]	87	180								
Yemen (Sanaa) [3]	478	1,141								
Asia Total	**54,362**	**65,659**	**67,893**	**68,494**	**66,871**	**57,625**	**55,833**	**68,064**	**79,992**	**59,519**
Europe										
Albania	4	7	45	88	119	350	277	212	308	248
Andorra	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Armenia [4]				33	40	80	82	76	110	108

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Foreign State	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Europe-Continued										
Austria	83	84	99	94	97	91	93	82	106	93
Azerbaijan [4]				16	18	18	30	33	38	48
Belarus [4]				112	122	57	62	124	137	95
Belgium	105	112	106	111	123	87	101	118	140	117
Bosnia and Herzegovina [5]				10	73	49	52	46	81	47
Bulgaria	42	71	91	177	237	224	241	348	374	271
Croatia [5]				31	105	101	97	90	83	66
Cyprus	52	46	46	45	50	46	51	33	47	43
Czechoslovakia [6]	97	123	147	161						
Czech Republic [6]					157	147	155	124	166	135
Denmark	176	170	170	186	183	169	159	178	145	138
Greenland	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	1
Estonia	4	8	4	4	5	18	14	30	31	42
Finland	76	66	73	86	90	82	80	90	103	78
France	392	410	381	415	518	538	497	503	479	448
French Guiana	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	1
French Polynesia	2	2	2	6	4	3	2	1	1	1
French Southern and Antarctic Lands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Guadeloupe	8	7	3	4	5	10	5	11	12	10
Martinique	5	2	2	3	4	-	4	2	5	6
New Caledonia	2	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	1
Reunion	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	2	1	-
St. Pierre and Miquelon	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wallis and Futuna	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Georgia [4]				6	19	35	88	105	48	26
German Democratic Republic [7]	81	45								
Germany [7]			3,253	4,929	2,762	2,998	2,274	1,746	1,917	1,959
Germany, Federal Republic of [7]	2,977	3,194								
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	2,454	2,544	2,751	2,713	2,544	2,177	1,907	1,713	1,776	1,476
Anguilla	5	4	8	6	6	3	4	5	4	4
Bermuda	66	46	43	43	53	36	41	39	41	26
British Virgin Islands	3	6	4	4	11	5	2	3	10	7
Cayman Islands	3	-	2	4	1	1	1	4	7	1
Falkland Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Gibraltar	-	-	-	2	-	3	-	1	-	-
Hong Kong [2]	501	565	8							
Montserrat	17	6	12	9	16	10	8	8	19	9
Pitcairn	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
St. Helena	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Turks and Caicos Islands	3	6	2	1	2	1	4	6	3	4
Greece	674	529	472	417	474	368	362	313	328	293
Hungary	107	124	182	169	202	182	224	216	277	221
Iceland	41	48	37	36	37	38	48	45	36	24
Ireland	428	303	260	218	215	214	182	149	137	130
Italy	417	396	384	366	427	428	378	370	398	405
Kazakhstan [4]				17	31	68	47	43	75	112
Kyrgyzstan [4]				2	6	6	9	18	21	23
Latvia	9	8	18	22	39	55	80	119	143	107
Liechtenstein	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Lithuania	20	13	20	45	70	155	151	148	149	163
Luxembourg	4	14	3	6	4	6	2	7	8	4

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Foreign State	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Europe–Continued										
Macedonia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of [3]						96	198	206	306	241
Malta	17	20	27	25	20	39	22	20	18	29
Moldova [4]				34	21	24	64	79	77	84
Monaco	-	2	-	-	-	-	1	2	1	-
Netherlands	269	264	280	218	249	319	263	232	231	196
Aruba	5	8	4	2	7	2	5	5	3	3
Netherlands Antilles	14	10	16	11	22	10	7	11	18	9
Norway	172	151	142	111	153	122	115	124	144	138
Poland	711	945	1,363	1,419	1,539	1,425	1,263	1,563	1,468	991
Portugal	629	535	371	309	297	246	233	226	231	200
Macau	23	36	37	30	34	22	22	33	33	14
Romania	348	619	3,003	442	586	800	907	1,286	1,443	1,094
Russia [4]				606	1,173	2,102	2,588	3,219	4,625	5,233
San Marino	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-
Serbia-Montenegro [5]						596	440	460	534	372
Slovakia [6]					44	48	62	72	87	59
Slovenia [5]				1	9	11	12	5	7	7
Spain	401	345	445	409	332	357	315	370	353	280
Western Sahara	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sweden	254	267	242	181	283	183	255	249	278	251
Switzerland	192	171	137	183	178	211	221	206	218	180
Tajikistan [4]				2	3	3	5	9	5	4
Turkey	522	550	601	605	658	569	558	617	661	549
Turkmenistan [4]				3	3	4	6	10	5	9
Ukraine [4]				352	634	470	317	394	449	664
U.S.S.R. [4]	670	930	1,175	311						
Uzbekistan [4]				21	53	71	70	48	44	49
Vatican City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Yugoslavia	693	631	743	570	647					
Europe Total	**13,779**	**14,464**	**17,207**	**16,443**	**15,817**	**16,592**	**15,766**	**16,610**	**19,005**	**17,648**
North America										
Antigua and Barbuda	93	64	70	54	79	53	61	67	80	50
Bahamas	84	60	109	91	84	47	66	59	58	54
Barbados	130	132	142	102	167	100	92	137	125	150
Belize	208	204	206	160	201	189	133	121	162	96
Canada	2,374	2,724	2,725	2,934	2,648	2,573	1,783	1,392	1,152	842
Costa Rica	500	520	457	450	386	352	346	403	425	324
Cuba	725	569	425	424	676	936	1,659	768	882	730
Dominica	118	101	107	144	131	81	88	106	188	183
Dominican Republic	7,663	9,513	10,313	9,678	13,140	24,355	13,633	12,147	9,210	6,255
El Salvador	2,995	2,859	2,946	2,160	3,329	2,275	1,296	2,633	5,225	4,514
Grenada	88	78	91	100	131	123	123	131	162	166
Guatemala	1,331	1,542	1,507	1,557	1,793	1,666	1,087	1,273	2,088	2,326
Haiti	1,086	1,467	1,922	211	2,679	2,612	1,980	2,370	3,227	4,283
Honduras	1,509	1,680	1,845	1,797	2,479	1,990	1,591	1,206	2,713	2,093
Jamaica	2,703	2,419	2,440	2,693	3,436	3,107	3,292	4,050	5,078	3,914
Mexico	28,518	24,500	23,635	17,694	25,290	23,229	6,808	11,710	20,339	22,273
Nicaragua	637	544	1,327	1,024	1,262	1,460	569	630	932	518

Table XII
Immediate Relative Visas Issued at Foreign Service Posts (Continued)
(by Applicant's Area of Birth)
Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998

Foreign State	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
North America–Continued										
Panama	1,129	709	1,107	911	1,067	1,191	1,179	1,120	950	768
Saint Kitts and Nevis	65	50	90	72	91	71	50	64	82	66
Saint Lucia	106	94	108	83	104	98	75	134	158	116
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	91	97	71	82	93	77	41	110	127	104
Trinidad and Tobago	429	511	641	794	1,051	1,039	992	1,313	1,258	780
North America Total	**52,582**	**50,437**	**52,284**	**43,215**	**60,257**	**67,624**	**36,944**	**41,944**	**54,621**	**50,605**
Oceania										
Australia	507	576	592	546	498	424	421	477	500	513
Christmas Island	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cocos Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Fiji	222	256	239	168	163	206	273	228	247	194
Kiribati	1	5	11	4	2	4	1	4	2	2
Marshall Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Micronesia, Federated States of	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Nauru	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
New Zealand	227	234	221	157	176	157	147	157	199	176
Cook Islands	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Niue	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Pacific Islands, Trust Territory of the [10]	4	2	6	1	2	1				
Palau [10]							-	-	4	1
Papua New Guinea	4	-	7	5	4	-	4	12	7	3
Samoa	32	34	47	44	36	34	40	37	17	36
Solomon Islands	3	2	-	-	-	2	-	1	1	2
Tonga	38	40	39	27	29	41	48	39	41	27
Tuvalu	-	1	-	-	2	-	2	-	-	-
Vanuatu	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Oceania Total	**1,058**	**1,150**	**1,164**	**954**	**913**	**869**	**939**	**955**	**1,019**	**955**
South America										
Argentina	429	535	500	339	285	275	245	268	217	170
Bolivia	228	242	243	315	333	297	220	267	382	354
Brazil	721	781	720	684	736	757	810	687	674	653
Chile	596	671	598	429	344	364	352	306	334	277
Colombia	3,427	2,979	2,948	3,028	3,843	3,578	2,872	3,364	4,314	3,826
Ecuador	1,028	1,009	1,294	1,330	1,526	1,592	1,582	1,836	2,473	2,002
Guyana	1,255	1,474	1,675	1,733	1,802	1,505	1,337	2,090	1,674	676
Paraguay	314	343	244	308	484	546	412	318	91	73
Peru	2,618	2,890	3,207	2,650	3,430	3,178	1,916	2,882	3,620	3,026
Suriname	4	10	7	17	21	27	24	31	27	27
Uruguay	120	106	132	109	122	114	67	65	87	61
Venezuela	405	438	403	334	415	432	439	570	607	434
South America Total	**11,145**	**11,478**	**11,971**	**11,276**	**13,341**	**12,665**	**10,276**	**12,684**	**14,500**	**11,579**
Grand Total	**135,512**	**146,167**	**153,858**	**144,345**	**161,777**	**160,274**	**125,822**	**147,883**	**178,774**	**147,760**

Table XII
Immediate Relative Visas Issued at Foreign Service Posts (Continued)
(by Applicant's Area of Birth)
Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998

[1] On April 27, 1993, the United States recognized the independence of Eritrea.

[2] Section 103 of P.L. 101-649 (Immigration Act of 1990) provides that effective with Fiscal Year 1991, Hong Kong shall be treated for immigrant visa purposes as a separate foreign state, and not as a colony or other component or dependent area of another foreign state.

[3] The U.S. Government has recognized the Republic of Yemen, formed on May 22, 1990, by union of the former Yemen Arab Republic and the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen.

[4] On December 25, 1991, the United States recognized the independence of Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Russia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan, the 12 republics that had constituted the U.S.S.R.

[5] On April 7, 1992, the United States recognized the independence of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, and Slovenia, three of the republics that had previously formed constituent parts of Yugoslavia.

[6] On January 1, 1993, the United States recognized the independence of the Czech Republic and Slovakia, separate states that had previously comprised Czechoslovakia.

[7] With the unification of Germany on October 3, 1990, visa statistics are consolidated for that country.

[8] On February 8, 1994, the United States recognized the independence of The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

[9] Serbia and Montenegro have proclaimed the formation of a joint independent state, but this entity has not been formally recognized by the United States.

[10] On October 1, 1994, the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (Palau) ended its status as a United Nations Trust Territory administered by the United States and became an independent state, in free association with the United States.

Table XIII
Significant Source Countries of Immigrant Orphans
(Totals of IR–3 and IR–4 Immigrant Visas Issued to Orphans)
Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998

Foreign State	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Belarus [1]				21	36	6	7	36	49	2
Bolivia	27	30	46	73	124	37	21	33	77	73
Brazil	175	228	175	138	161	149	146	103	91	90
Bulgaria	1	3	9	91	133	97	110	163	148	151
Cambodia	0	15	60	15	1	3	10	32	66	249
Chile	253	302	266	179	61	79	90	63	41	26
China—mainland born	17	29	61	206	330	787	2,130	3,333	3,597	4,206
—Taiwan born	75	66	54	36	32	35	23	19	19	30
Colombia	736	631	521	404	426	351	350	255	233	236
Costa Rica	78	105	56	64	48	29	19	20	22	7
Dominican Republic	68	58	50	42	39	17	15	13	19	13
Ecuador	20	59	10	37	49	48	67	51	43	55
El Salvador	94	103	123	117	100	38	30	17	5	13
Ethiopia	6	18	15	37	30	54	63	44	82	96
Georgia [1]				2	3	17	51	77	21	6
Guatemala	202	257	329	418	512	436	449	427	788	969
Haiti	80	64	49	16	51	61	49	68	142	121
Honduras	181	197	234	249	179	77	28	28	26	9
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region	54	36	49	29	30	34	30	36	21	27
Hungary	3	11	30	26	43	34	28	51	72	34
India	648	348	445	352	331	412	371	380	349	478
Jamaica	42	28	41	27	48	35	45	34	31	38
Japan	74	57	87	68	64	49	63	36	45	39
Korea	3,544	2,620	1,818	1,840	1,775	1,795	1,666	1,516	1,654	1,829
Latvia	0	0	5	4	15	33	59	82	108	76
Lithuania	0	0	3	18	24	95	98	78	78	72
Mexico	91	112	97	91	91	85	83	76	152	168
Moldova [1]				20	1	5	44	40	43	46
Paraguay	252	282	190	212	412	483	351	258	33	7
Peru	222	440	705	309	224	37	15	17	14	26
Philippines	465	421	393	357	360	314	298	229	163	200
Poland	74	66	92	109	70	94	30	64	78	77
Romania	3	121	2,594	121	97	199	275	555	621	406
Russia [1]				324	746	1,530	1,896	2,454	3,816	4,491
Thailand	109	100	131	86	69	47	53	55	63	84
Ukraine [1]				55	273	164	4	1	59	180
Uzbekistan [1]				1	8	44	47	14	3	1
Vietnam	15	52	37	22	110	220	318	354	425	603
Other	309	234	275	256	271	303	247	228	324	349
Grand Totals	**7,918**	**7,093**	**9,050**	**6,472**	**7,377**	**8,333**	**9,679**	**11,340**	**13,621**	**15,583**

[1] On December 25, 1991, the United States recognized the independence of Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Russia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan, the 12 republics that had constituted the U.S.S.R.

Table XIV
Immigrant Visas Issued at Foreign Service Posts
(by Foreign State Chargeability)
(All Categories)
Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998

Foreign State	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Africa										
Algeria	64	113	58	218	181	201	539	663	335	590
Angola	81	49	71	39	46	42	27	29	33	28
Benin	12	12	5	5	6	5	10	15	33	43
Botswana	6	4	4	4	7	15	9	11	9	5
Burkina Faso	3	2	5	3	5	8	4	6	4	2
Burundi	4	4	7	1	1	3	13	16	12	7
Cameroon	22	42	32	54	82	90	347	389	629	510
Cape Verde	938	676	777	549	694	648	779	781	834	689
Central African Republic	1	10	1	1	5	1	1	4	-	1
Chad	2	2	4	-	-	-	1	8	5	2
Comoros	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	2	2	-
Congo, Republic of the	3	-	4	2	7	4	7	8	6	7
Congo, Democratic Republic of the	38	39	45	38	39	61	119	128	142	163
Cote d'Ivoire	18	23	30	36	70	61	82	136	130	127
Djibouti	4	15	14	13	2	2	17	16	14	12
Egypt	2,085	2,447	2,604	2,179	2,306	2,233	5,072	4,305	4,075	3,952
Equatorial Guinea	-	3	3	2	1	1	1	1	2	5
Eritrea [1]					83	198	751	518	855	517
Ethiopia	439	626	576	621	830	715	4,266	4,173	4,336	3,225
Gabon	1	6	4	5	3	1	2	10	9	9
Gambia	16	33	16	15	26	25	52	56	31	29
Ghana	703	824	1,120	1,000	1,074	941	2,855	4,309	4,101	3,134
Guinea	7	12	5	19	16	19	57	39	33	59
Guinea-Bissau	25	12	4	3	4	-	1	6	2	9
Kenya	463	594	608	596	672	562	1,147	807	791	1,126
Lesotho	2	6	1	4	2	4	5	7	3	2
Liberia	257	223	230	427	392	517	630	796	1,144	1,112
Libya	54	56	42	62	70	67	118	99	78	124
Madagascar	4	17	5	29	16	10	18	23	15	15
Malawi	27	23	42	50	37	20	42	30	64	31
Mali	6	10	7	11	8	7	28	26	12	18
Mauritania	-	3	-	-	1	1	2	2	-	6
Mauritius	24	55	43	21	40	46	53	34	28	25
Morocco	322	419	467	334	416	421	1,116	861	1,751	1,781
Mozambique	40	57	54	31	37	21	17	25	32	25
Namibia	8	5	6	8	8	6	16	9	2	7
Niger	1	3	3	5	10	2	8	14	5	5
Nigeria	664	848	1,141	1,948	1,751	1,710	5,523	5,991	6,370	5,369
Rwanda	4	1	5	1	4	6	11	23	17	19
Sao Tome and Principe	4	2	3	8	-	3	2	2	1	2
Senegal	59	114	83	55	57	79	364	265	261	174
Seychelles	8	22	30	21	12	15	15	9	1	3
Sierra Leone	231	271	322	311	351	408	642	1,377	1,228	632
Somalia	84	87	84	101	141	129	478	454	373	412
South Africa	728	754	799	950	1,018	930	1,275	1,222	904	987
Sudan	59	75	109	79	101	67	721	1,073	778	970
Swaziland	2	4	5	2	2	4	7	7	7	3
Tanzania	331	388	290	293	322	336	511	430	316	268
Togo	6	15	9	15	9	13	45	77	110	255
Tunisia	71	169	217	127	84	106	117	134	87	130
Uganda	224	227	237	196	263	262	308	285	262	291
Zambia	100	128	98	95	111	118	136	124	137	148

Table XIV
Immigrant Visas Issued at Foreign Service Posts (Continued)
(by Foreign State Chargeability)
(All Categories)
Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998

Foreign State	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Africa–Continued										
Zimbabwe	110	95	99	122	147	122	146	167	105	76
Africa Total	**8,365**	**9,625**	**10,428**	**10,709**	**11,571**	**11,266**	**28,514**	**30,002**	**30,514**	**27,141**
Asia										
Afghanistan	304	391	489	416	590	584	675	718	619	617
Bahrain	31	25	31	37	47	34	41	39	39	32
Bangladesh	1,373	3,811	6,202	2,248	2,928	2,977	6,895	5,583	8,122	8,364
Bhutan	-	1	-	1	3	-	1	-	3	1
Brunei	11	7	6	8	4	10	3	16	4	9
Burma	1,111	1,044	823	597	650	762	1,077	1,068	985	1,337
Cambodia	358	398	542	573	504	640	1,018	1,093	1,243	1,181
China—mainland born	24,693	25,718	27,395	26,711	25,602	20,891	24,448	27,397	27,443	27,776
—Taiwan born	8,287	9,107	8,604	7,788	7,159	5,388	5,678	8,180	6,757	6,394
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region [2]			9,633	9,030	8,046	5,680	6,306	5,051	3,877	3,881
India	22,403	23,633	23,295	24,344	28,251	24,833	26,403	29,381	28,104	25,292
Indonesia	1,541	2,389	1,771	2,380	1,080	888	493	470	469	741
Iran	5,392	5,912	5,603	5,343	6,788	6,171	5,210	6,320	5,913	5,458
Iraq	481	872	619	3,418	1,881	1,312	1,516	1,330	1,219	1,072
Israel	2,026	2,013	1,794	2,179	2,167	1,765	918	1,061	1,058	813
Japan	2,689	2,868	2,488	7,144	3,149	2,838	1,950	2,037	2,049	2,216
Jordan	2,846	2,826	2,513	2,611	3,220	2,470	2,757	3,177	3,224	2,279
Korea	28,826	25,550	18,042	14,391	12,382	10,799				
Korea, North							134	133	82	75
Korea, South							10,272	9,089	8,290	8,431
Kuwait	340	352	317	406	490	430	392	514	426	402
Laos	227	254	318	256	327	271	268	282	324	265
Lebanon	3,299	3,156	3,199	3,518	3,391	2,902	2,340	2,665	2,423	2,460
Malaysia	571	913	792	866	842	636	404	350	362	400
Maldives	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Mongolia	-	-	-	-	3	2	8	3	13	13
Nepal	87	111	102	138	184	130	186	232	255	321
Oman	9	1	-	3	7	15	12	15	11	13
Pakistan	5,424	7,077	8,037	7,295	7,906	7,172	8,618	8,834	9,900	10,314
Philippines	39,728	44,112	45,175	44,000	47,455	40,839	35,474	42,003	38,257	25,953
Qatar	21	20	26	18	51	10	20	20	18	21
Saudi Arabia	118	126	135	134	157	139	142	195	155	168
Singapore	240	258	241	247	296	230	159	179	147	152
Sri Lanka	470	677	748	515	573	610	599	646	727	725
Syria	1,475	1,536	1,313	1,469	1,715	1,635	1,422	1,815	1,469	1,694
Thailand	2,347	2,341	2,315	2,095	2,032	1,542	1,292	1,241	1,149	1,350
United Arab Emirates	81	139	101	98	108	174	135	178	216	211
Vietnam	16,981	32,763	33,355	39,601	16,851	8,995	12,777	11,095	16,317	11,017
Yemen [3]			1,387	2,156	1,626	790	1,641	1,949	1,944	1,353
Yemen (Aden) [3]	156	334								
Yemen (Sanaa) [3]	753	1,590								
Asia Total	**174,699**	**202,325**	**207,411**	**212,034**	**188,465**	**154,564**	**161,684**	**174,359**	**173,614**	**152,801**

Table XIV
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(by Foreign State Chargeability)
(All Categories)
Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998

Foreign State	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Europe										
Albania	6	10	57	144	240	749	1,164	3,866	4,553	4,341
Andorra	4	3	1	2	1	1	-	1	-	-
Armenia [4]				49	100	236	897	1,324	1,185	559
Austria	198	225	193	318	216	208	245	185	209	200
Azerbaijan [4]				28	30	29	254	280	200	260
Belarus [4]				127	140	93	286	400	368	449
Belgium	237	258	231	339	257	218	216	257	221	165
Bosnia and Herzegovina [5]				20	123	93	156	118	161	96
Bulgaria	76	148	188	259	398	453	1,428	956	2,450	3,715
Croatia [5]				102	223	223	360	274	207	150
Cyprus	124	124	98	152	116	96	96	83	75	67
Czechoslovakia [6]	184	303	280	493						
Czech Republic [6]					330	268	270	215	264	205
Denmark	303	305	268	410	318	298	300	269	193	204
Greenland	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	1
Estonia	10	14	9	9	15	39	61	64	65	50
Finland	151	152	159	257	262	217	223	275	186	166
France	993	1,062	1,010	1,495	1,128	1,140	963	944	810	917
French Guiana	4	1	2	2	14	3	7	5	-	1
French Polynesia	6	17	5	9	6	7	4	1	2	3
French Southern and Antarctic Lands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Guadeloupe	23	22	14	46	37	29	27	23	28	18
Martinique	20	9	5	9	10	11	4	6	7	8
New Caledonia	3	7	3	4	-	6	1	2	1	3
Reunion	-	-	1	-	2	-	2	2	1	-
St. Pierre and Miquelon	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wallis and Futuna	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Georgia [4]				17	49	75	230	312	149	164
German Democratic Republic [7]	133	84								
Germany [7]			3,971	6,246	3,652	3,774	3,368	2,995	3,087	3,404
Germany, Federal Republic of [7]	3,706	3,968								
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	6,936	6,607	6,565	9,005	7,312	6,081	3,817	3,664	3,329	2,884
Anguilla	34	15	44	29	14	24	14	30	10	18
Bermuda	109	95	66	81	95	74	49	71	51	41
British Virgin Islands	45	41	32	49	33	35	9	16	23	10
Cayman Islands	14	5	8	12	5	11	6	4	14	4
Falkland Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Gibraltar	2	-	-	4	-	4	1	1	-	-
Hong Kong [2]	4,914	4,729								
Montserrat	83	87	105	65	76	49	60	40	55	48
Pitcairn	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
St. Helena	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Turks and Caicos Islands	13	17	10	15	20	14	10	11	8	8
Northern Ireland (DV only)							86	74	30	47
Greece	1,220	976	916	803	913	726	662	610	554	497
Hungary	204	295	333	525	436	393	451	455	410	411
Iceland	87	73	78	103	100	89	79	115	71	65
Ireland	9,539	4,793	3,014	14,893	14,191	21,735	1,822	706	558	477
Italy	1,425	1,357	1,107	1,255	1,215	1,060	924	761	757	853
Kazakhstan [4]				23	38	73	126	252	168	365

Table XIV
Immigrant Visas Issued at Foreign Service Posts (Continued)
(by Foreign State Chargeability)
(All Categories)
Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998

Foreign State	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Europe–Continued										
Kyrgyzstan [4]				3	15	11	42	52	52	68
Latvia	35	28	29	38	81	101	165	185	231	201
Liechtenstein	3	1	2	-	-	-	-	4	1	1
Lithuania	39	35	45	88	167	282	470	557	507	1,044
Luxembourg	7	22	10	12	5	13	4	16	11	4
Macedonia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of [8]						257	520	658	640	616
Malta	59	43	60	50	35	54	65	33	40	50
Moldova [4]				57	59	39	209	254	163	247
Monaco	-	2	1	2	-	-	1	2	1	-
Netherlands	522	606	553	591	487	510	500	459	358	310
Aruba	49	23	25	26	20	9	11	5	8	6
Netherlands Antilles	48	53	44	53	61	43	31	37	35	22
Norway	258	218	237	350	254	190	222	210	184	175
Poland	4,327	8,013	11,112	21,825	24,982	26,683	8,250	10,268	7,994	5,197
Portugal	3,230	2,995	2,596	2,145	1,635	1,867	1,645	1,061	976	952
Macau	274	339	334	309	300	215	390	356	228	207
Romania	830	1,060	3,348	759	1,079	1,236	3,607	3,264	4,320	4,383
Russia [4]				705	1,401	2,485	4,608	4,944	6,139	6,900
San Marino	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	-
Serbia-Montenegro [9]						1,188	1,252	951	993	915
Slovakia [6]					143	161	434	429	428	267
Slovenia [5]				11	25	32	30	24	23	19
Spain	873	749	879	846	633	627	550	548	481	396
Western Sahara	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sweden	485	540	570	702	572	412	532	531	454	417
Switzerland	364	362	301	462	392	389	426	481	638	486
Tajikistan [4]				5	14	10	52	38	36	33
Turkey	1,023	1,187	1,157	1,337	1,157	1,002	2,121	2,323	2,351	2,210
Turkmenistan [4]				7	3	4	10	30	27	50
Ukraine [4]				449	772	644	2,198	2,328	2,075	3,125
U.S.S.R. [4]	1,286	1,364	1,491	402						
Uzbekistan [4]				58	94	113	262	254	204	302
Vatican City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Yugoslavia	1,463	1,396	1,449	1,301	1,271					
Europe Total	**45,981**	**44,839**	**43,016**	**69,994**	**67,774**	**77,211**	**47,288**	**49,971**	**50,059**	**49,478**
North America										
Antigua and Barbuda	616	482	504	376	372	263	232	185	251	193
Bahamas	254	222	299	221	310	227	173	139	115	98
Barbados	1,154	937	856	691	826	496	423	413	360	422
Belize	838	855	946	705	790	618	392	370	407	228
Canada	7,265	7,854	7,816	7,150	7,878	7,165	4,145	3,924	2,988	2,620
Costa Rica	1,024	971	874	987	873	736	610	605	589	476
Cuba	3,072	2,605	2,383	1,783	2,091	2,818	6,040	2,569	2,999	2,812
Dominica	670	586	686	666	535	391	467	432	445	508
Dominican Republic	23,934	29,395	27,061	38,849	40,994	49,973	34,021	30,498	21,381	15,551
El Salvador	12,879	10,189	13,012	20,994	23,942	17,126	7,504	8,345	9,377	7,361

Table XIV
Immigrant Visas Issued at Foreign Service Posts (Continued)
(by Foreign State Chargeability)
(All Categories)
Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998

Foreign State	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
North America–Continued										
Grenada	746	644	624	614	603	419	378	350	383	428
Guatemala	4,892	4,635	5,127	7,047	10,526	6,392	4,031	3,729	3,565	3,798
Haiti	7,488	10,054	11,092	927	8,686	12,321	8,299	9,403	10,211	9,932
Honduras	4,664	4,416	4,965	5,028	6,428	4,588	3,723	2,253	4,455	3,662
Jamaica	19,608	16,087	15,368	13,732	13,511	11,014	13,022	13,217	12,374	9,810
Mexico	45,708	43,545	42,482	82,375	100,436	98,285	47,372	52,625	56,202	56,999
Nicaragua	2,301	1,898	3,559	3,166	3,300	3,260	1,231	1,310	1,391	913
Panama	2,392	1,367	2,752	1,546	1,871	1,740	1,667	1,693	1,333	1,106
Saint Kitts and Nevis	595	451	599	485	400	243	282	242	254	306
Saint Lucia	501	426	444	448	451	292	263	320	331	343
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	626	456	523	505	487	337	205	261	286	256
Trinidad and Tobago	3,621	3,822	4,553	4,188	4,127	4,466	3,314	3,268	2,925	2,438
North America Total	**144,848**	**141,897**	**146,525**	**192,483**	**229,437**	**223,170**	**137,794**	**136,151**	**132,622**	**120,260**
Oceania										
Australia	703	757	745	778	795	676	718	726	718	681
Christmas Island	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
Cocos Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Fiji	744	1,219	1,064	629	673	920	1,444	1,378	1,366	1,680
Kiribati	1	5	12	5	3	5	1	4	2	2
Marshall Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Micronesia, Federated States of	-	-	-	3	1	-	-	-	-	1
Nauru	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	-	-
New Zealand	345	334	330	371	353	320	264	264	323	292
Cook Islands	-	-	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	-
Niue	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Pacific Islands, Trust Territory of the [10]	7	4	10	2	2	1				
Palau [10]							-	-	6	1
Papua New Guinea	5	5	11	10	6	1	5	15	8	5
Samoa	79	77	93	90	80	99	68	79	35	45
Solomon Islands	7	3	-	-	2	4	-	2	1	2
Tonga	338	235	170	189	217	190	274	180	141	122
Tuvalu	-	2	-	-	3	-	2	-	-	-
Vanuatu	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	4
Oceania Total	**2,229**	**2,642**	**2,440**	**2,080**	**2,138**	**2,216**	**2,780**	**2,648**	**2,601**	**2,835**
South America										
Argentina	1,568	1,746	1,750	2,325	1,504	1,282	572	679	460	379
Bolivia	859	911	1,110	1,103	1,200	1,098	700	589	624	673
Brazil	1,654	1,579	1,659	1,718	1,884	1,989	1,559	1,288	1,076	1,151
Chile	1,353	1,450	1,240	1,159	1,075	945	715	521	530	501
Colombia	8,789	7,746	7,599	9,640	9,965	8,115	7,009	6,582	6,792	6,375
Ecuador	4,393	4,192	5,245	6,287	6,414	5,122	5,197	4,971	4,911	4,604
Guyana	9,189	9,153	9,762	7,995	7,780	7,062	6,671	7,962	5,994	2,631
Paraguay	433	480	392	406	573	685	464	392	137	120
Peru	6,466	6,944	7,242	7,320	8,092	7,329	4,933	6,146	5,916	5,833
Suriname	75	109	71	105	98	86	90	75	68	49
Uruguay	408	393	391	462	365	305	154	131	154	121

Table XIV
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(by Foreign State Chargeability)
(All Categories)
Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998

Foreign State	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
South America–Continued										
Venezuela	992	1,129	948	950	1,204	1,099	911	973	847	732
South America Total	**36,179**	**35,832**	**37,409**	**39,470**	**40,154**	**35,117**	**28,975**	**30,309**	**27,509**	**23,169**
Grand Total	**412,301**	**437,160**	**447,229**	**526,770**	**539,539**	**583,544**	**407,035**	**423,440**	**416,919**	**375,684**

[1] On April 27, 1993, the United States recognized the independence of Eritrea. As a result, a separate immigrant visa chargeability was established for Eritrea.

[2] Section 103 of P.L. 101–649 (Immigration Act of 1990) provides that effective with Fiscal Year 1991, Hong Kong shall be treated for immigrant visa purposes as a separate foreign state, and not as a colony or other component or dependent area of another foreign state.

[3] The U.S. Government has recognized the Republic of Yemen, formed on May 22, 1990, by union of the former Yemen Arab Republic and the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen.

[4] On December 25, 1991, the United States recognized the independence of the 12 republics that had constituted the U.S.S.R. As a result, the U.S.S.R. immigrant visa chargeability was replaced by separate foreign state chargeabilities for Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Russia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan.

[5] On April 7, 1992, the United States recognized the independence of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, and Slovenia, three of the republics that had previously formed constituent parts of Yugoslavia. As a result, separate immigrant visa chargeabilities were established for these foreign states.

[6] On January 1, 1993, the United States recognized the independence of the Czech Republic and Slovakia, separate states that had previously comprised Czechoslovakia. As a result, the Czechoslovakia immigrant visa chargeability was replaced by separate foreign state chargeabilities for the Czech Republic and Slovakia.

[7] With the unification of Germany on October 3, 1990, visa statistics are consolidated for that country.

[8] On February 8, 1994, the United States recognized the independence of The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, which had been within the Yugoslavia immigrant visa chargeability. As a result, a separate chargeability was established for The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

[9] Serbia and Montenegro have proclaimed the formation of a joint independent state, but this entity has not been formally recognized by the United States.

[10] On October 1, 1994, the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (Palau) ended its status as a United Nations Trust Territory administered by the United States and became an independent state, in free association with the United States.

Table XV
Immigrant Visas Issued by Issuing Office
(All Categories, Including Replaced Visas)
Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998

Issuing Office	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Africa (AF)										
Benin, Cotonou	11	9	4	5	5	6	11	8	21	20
Botswana, Gaborone [1]	13	26	26	7	28					
Burkina Faso, Ouagadougou	9	1	7	4	11	6	-	5	1	1
Burundi, Bujumbura [2]	7	3	2	2	1	9	8	4		
Cameroon, Yaounde	19	40	33	43	80	94	315	349	560	450
Cape Verde, Praia	860	591	714	508	671	612	752	709	799	664
Central African Republic, Bangui [3]	2	5	1	2	1	1	4	2	-	-
Congo, Republic of the, Brazzaville [2]	7	-	-	2	3	3	2	4		
Congo, Democratic Republic of the, Kinshasa	28	43	34	21	26	33	98	97	110	113
Cote d'Ivoire, Abidjan	29	54	111	103	153	160	151	252	246	619
Djibouti, Djibouti	17	31	46	37	41	35	53	64	19	36
Ethiopia, Addis Ababa	138	271	232	365	711	746	5,054	4,170	4,688	3,215
Gabon, Libreville	1	1	5	6	7	5	6	11	16	9
Gambia, Banjul [1]	16	47	15	14	33					
Ghana, Accra	586	774	1,064	958	1,052	963	2,710	4,229	4,129	3,279
Guinea, Conakry [4]	1									
Guinea-Bissau, Bissau [1]	4	1	-	3	2					
Kenya, Nairobi	274	371	393	404	483	317	1,070	836	718	1,084
Liberia, Monrovia	272	242	76	283	241	272	443	535	836	853
Madagascar, Antananarivo	2	5	2	17	14	8	10	9	10	13
Malawi, Lilongwe	16	10	17	36	15	12	14	14	17	19
Mali, Bamako [5]	5	8	7	9	7	3				
Mauritius, Port Louis [6]	19	42	30	19	36	42	17			
Mozambique, Maputo [1]	4	11	16	2	4					
Niger, Niamey	2	3	3	7	9	6	1	7	9	2
Nigeria, Lagos	656	859	1,163	1,936	1,745	1,637	5,319	5,759	6,206	5,259
Rwanda, Kigali [6]	4	2	-	6	3	-	-			
Senegal, Dakar	68	124	103	78	76	115	486	406	340	335
Seychelles, Victoria [6]	8	19	21	14	8	18	16			
Sierra Leone, Freetown [3]	219	268	356	332	345	414	594	1,347	1,091	-
Somalia, Mogadishu [7]	65	68	27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
South Africa, Johannesburg	722	849	950	990	1,065	1,049	1,377	1,392	1,006	1,110
Sudan, Khartoum [8]	115	186	186	129	99	23	31	103	-	-
Tanzania, Dar Es Salaam	124	225	141	153	159	169	304	194	159	127
Togo, Lome	15	13	15	16	9	17	54	82	110	264
Uganda, Kampala [5]	16	20	12	15	30	37				
Zambia, Lusaka	81	125	103	83	139	113	145	94	133	133
Zimbabwe, Harare	80	78	105	80	110	104	104	117	118	98
Africa Total	**4,515**	**5,425**	**6,020**	**6,689**	**7,422**	**7,029**	**19,165**	**20,798**	**21,342**	**17,703**
American Republics (ARA)										
Argentina, Buenos Aires	1,885	2,113	2,033	2,492	1,698	1,477	1,162	1,043	656	563
Bahamas, Nassau	367	386	438	472	523	395	208	181	174	126
Barbados, Bridgetown	4,979	4,052	4,334	3,886	3,774	2,541	2,362	2,332	2,453	2,592
Belize, Belize City	861	862	968	712	820	648	412	405	433	222
Bolivia, La Paz	854	948	1,111	1,097	1,205	1,115	683	588	604	679
Brazil, Rio de Janeiro	1,895	1,860	1,810	1,895	1,961	2,118	1,607	1,360	1,098	1,172
Chile, Santiago	1,285	1,394	1,219	1,098	1,019	913	686	482	549	495
Colombia, Bogota	8,411	7,592	7,455	9,471	9,787	7,989	6,919	6,440	6,670	6,248

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Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998

Issuing Office	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
American Republics (ARA)–Continued										
Costa Rica, San Jose	1,156	1,192	1,042	1,123	984	790	689	677	645	560
Cuba, Havana	2,623	2,186	2,116	1,488	1,638	2,331	6,260	2,731	3,130	2,677
Dominican Republic, Santo Domingo	23,856	29,470	27,091	38,870	40,969	49,964	34,034	30,530	21,381	15,556
Ecuador, Guayaquil	4,381	4,168	5,272	6,331	6,489	5,175	5,234	5,007	4,911	4,587
El Salvador, San Salvador	12,475	9,921	12,855	20,748	23,763	17,073	7,441	8,291	9,316	7,325
French West Indies, Martinique [9]	58	48	19							
Guatemala, Guatemala City	4,796	5,189	5,111	7,044	10,633	6,435	4,057	3,748	3,568	3,803
Guyana, Georgetown	8,862	8,735	9,273	7,513	7,260	6,586	6,276	7,597	5,639	2,214
Haiti, Port-au-Prince	7,308	9,910	10,971	758	8,499	11,255	8,207	9,263	10,125	9,838
Honduras, Tegucigalpa	4,597	4,421	4,994	5,015	6,418	4,539	3,736	2,237	4,471	3,664
Jamaica, Kingston	19,099	15,586	14,947	13,306	13,161	10,678	12,762	13,042	12,203	9,595
Mexico, Ciudad Juarez	35,191	30,172	30,292	54,995	79,357	102,243	47,418	52,677	56,245	57,057
Tijuana [1]	11,848	14,418	12,989	28,599	24,142					
Netherlands Antilles, Curacao [1]	85	61	78	142	106					
Nicaragua, Managua	1,681	757	3,275	3,045	3,184	3,150	1,183	1,217	1,324	854
Panama, Panama City	2,712	978	2,923	1,662	2,045	1,878	1,824	1,849	1,478	1,227
Paraguay, Asuncion	522	633	581	473	638	798	516	424	197	167
Peru, Lima	6,353	6,783	7,147	7,234	7,985	7,276	4,872	6,078	5,848	5,755
Suriname, Paramaribo	140	172	111	172	151	128	129	79	105	100
Trinidad and Tobago, Port of Spain	3,691	3,829	4,589	4,197	4,124	4,485	3,294	3,307	2,901	2,415
Uruguay, Montevideo	401	363	383	450	356	299	150	112	134	106
Venezuela, Caracas	1,427	2,151	1,351	1,347	1,670	1,495	1,183	1,276	1,145	1,008
American Republics Total	**173,799**	**170,350**	**176,778**	**225,635**	**264,359**	**253,774**	**163,304**	**162,973**	**157,483**	**140,605**
East Asia and Pacific (EAP)										
Australia, Perth	103	139	174	115	109	105	104	84	118	98
Sydney	976	1,231	1,203	1,166	1,241	1,048	1,008	961	1,018	981
Burma, Rangoon	806	678	493	410	438	485	772	804	716	982
Cambodia, Phnom Penh [10]						193	885	979	1,105	1,048
China, Guangzhou	16,946	16,855	18,438	16,975	17,819	14,624	18,205	21,414	22,440	23,825
Fiji, Suva	1,039	1,425	1,187	758	833	1,046	1,657	1,522	1,477	1,722
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, Hong Kong	10,989	11,542	16,777	16,368	14,738	11,550	13,008	11,047	8,705	8,041
Indonesia, Jakarta	1,407	2,086	1,569	2,062	907	751	403	368	394	639
Japan, Tokyo	2,747	2,943	2,586	7,173	3,314	3,155	2,212	2,191	2,337	2,548
Naha	536	523	500	481	410	358	356	360	319	299
Korea, Seoul	28,153	24,786	17,275	13,913	11,829	10,243	9,636	8,680	8,002	8,150
Laos, Vientiane	-	-	56	122	208	136	204	226	254	212
Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur	781	1,064	837	924	914	660	386	339	328	402
New Zealand, Auckland	471	457	419	495	482	446	382	409	432	473
Papua New Guinea, Port Moresby	15	11	13	26	16	10	18	25	16	24
Philippines, Manila	39,162	43,262	44,002	42,996	46,583	39,878	34,540	41,218	37,277	24,972
Singapore, Singapore	358	342	311	357	378	288	244	287	251	300
Thailand, Bangkok	2,325	2,415	2,349	2,079	2,126	1,585	1,288	1,233	1,152	1,335
Orderly Departure Program, Bangkok	15,205	31,113	32,402	39,500	15,513	8,018	11,926	10,080	15,372	9,742
Refugee and Migration Affairs Office, Bangkok [11]	422	343	377	259	391	389	47	16	21	
Taipei [12]	9,772	11,290	10,627	9,369	8,455	6,387	7,057	10,321	8,377	7,471

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Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998

Issuing Office	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
East Asia and Pacific (EAP)–Continued										
East Asia and Pacific Total	**132,213**	**152,505**	**151,595**	**155,548**	**126,704**	**101,355**	**104,338**	**112,564**	**110,111**	**93,264**
Europe and Canada (EUR)										
Albania, Tirana [13]					94	683	1,126	3,767	4,406	3,910
Austria, Vienna	650	880	290	440	310	329	385	343	315	293
Belgium, Brussels	385	404	403	512	370	342	314	431	312	299
Bermuda, Hamilton	189	177	113	129	169	120	88	103	67	61
Bulgaria, Sofia	51	130	173	243	427	426	1,493	942	2,397	3,804
Canada, Calgary [6]	1,119	1,177	1,273	1,357	1,353	1,248	429			
Montreal	3,063	3,482	3,461	3,048	3,091	2,898	2,034	5,253	5,087	5,582
Toronto [6]	6,768	6,199	5,463	5,664	6,573	6,034	3,307			
Vancouver [11]	2,674	2,793	2,690	2,200	2,048	1,739	1,671	1,836	1,060	
Croatia, Zagreb	244	258	228	216	293	250	353	288	220	171
Cyprus, Nicosia	452	887	897	785	572	421	436	460	497	468
Czech Republic, Prague	92	142	165	408	386	371	627	603	643	451
Denmark, Copenhagen	372	364	303	443	362	321	311	289	217	209
Finland, Helsinki	118	111	134	285	442	290	296	336	286	216
France, Paris	1,643	1,857	1,784	2,086	1,745	1,729	1,392	1,362	1,187	1,395
German Democratic Republic, Berlin [14]	26	13								
Germany, Federal Republic of, Frankfurt	4,631	5,130	5,560	8,117	4,932	5,132	4,647	4,190	4,297	4,718
Berlin, Embassy Branch Office [14]			96							
Berlin, U.S. Mission [14]	237	291								
Great Britain and Northern Ireland, London	7,889	8,170	8,201	12,211	9,885	9,583	5,971	5,666	4,987	4,191
Greece, Athens	1,314	1,137	1,088	971	1,054	820	767	832	785	882
Beirut Files [15]	1,321	539	73							
Hungary, Budapest	119	166	261	435	447	360	432	439	396	395
Iceland, Reykjavik	85	82	88	109	99	85	91	128	70	70
Ireland, Dublin	9,914	4,480	3,023	12,731	12,314	18,080	1,435	615	497	469
Italy, Naples	2,088	1,785	1,646	1,649	1,593	1,490	1,307	1,065	1,283	1,365
Malta, Valletta	57	40	51	61	30	60	80	65	58	94
Netherlands, Amsterdam	551	624	533	670	570	594	551	521	419	393
Norway, Oslo	303	257	284	464	308	233	264	285	216	210
Poland, Warsaw	3,610	7,351	10,709	21,564	24,805	26,873	10,738	13,294	10,723	9,553
Portugal, Lisbon	1,273	1,027	1,519	1,788	1,150	1,414	1,167	842	726	619
Oporto [9]	1,325	1,292	603							
Ponta Delgada	718	682	540	349	488	452	301	269	269	318
Romania, Bucharest	669	920	3,160	552	870	1,068	3,610	3,255	4,251	4,413
Russia, Moscow	648	580	1,248	1,667	2,416	3,445	6,190	6,921	7,679	8,124
Serbia-Montenegro, Belgrade	1,090	1,024	1,122	1,038	1,058	1,240	1,619	1,504	1,661	1,497
Spain, Madrid	1,045	939	995	1,021	790	708	668	627	558	474
Sweden, Stockholm	602	661	682	755	664	515	649	659	605	578
Switzerland, Bern	558	548	508	697	589	570	621	690	883	713
Turkey, Ankara	803	1,119	1,207	1,101	1,423	1,382	1,866	2,647	2,259	1,923
Istanbul [16]	1,599	2,027	1,942	2,061	1,920	1,801	2,861	3,007	2,949	2,802
Europe and Canada Total	**60,295**	**59,745**	**62,516**	**87,827**	**85,640**	**93,106**	**60,097**	**63,534**	**62,265**	**60,660**
Near East (NEA)										
Algeria, Algiers	22	58	32	157	140	152	445	581	145	59
Bahrain, Manama	91	96	100	102	116	76	127	121	116	100

Table XV
Immigrant Visas Issued by Issuing Office (Continued)
(All Categories, Including Replaced Visas)
Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998

Issuing Office	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Near East (NEA)–Continued										
Egypt, Cairo	1,890	2,308	2,501	2,027	2,129	2,072	4,693	4,375	4,142	4,224
Iraq, Baghdad [17]	183	579								
Israel, Tel Aviv	2,470	2,348	2,033	2,528	2,333	1,715	1,267	1,384	1,270	1,209
Jerusalem	1,866	1,551	1,396	1,381	1,675	1,274	1,383	1,327	1,303	719
Jordan, Amman	1,374	1,657	1,695	4,757	3,584	2,828	3,195	3,683	3,650	2,927
Kuwait, Kuwait	572	501	42	207	284	178	324	449	385	279
Lebanon, Beirut [18]	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Morocco, Casablanca	191	286	384	212	295	325	1,041	759	1,670	1,708
Oman, Muscat	41	61	38	59	84	77	110	140	125	115
Qatar, Doha	106	136	124	95	134	122	123	140	127	119
Saudi Arabia, Riyadh	742	1,042	877	662	775	702	1,217	1,293	1,238	1,169
Syria, Damascus	2,439	2,526	2,608	2,794	3,378	3,091	2,921	3,654	3,010	3,375
Tunisia, Tunis	49	144	194	90	73	101	124	148	183	550
United Arab Emirates, Abu Dhabi	492	662	689	742	1,167	1,510	2,013	2,361	2,280	2,160
Beirut Files [15]				680	352	206	236	155	112	151
Yemen, Sanaa	762	1,781	1,333	2,128	1,605	775	1,646	1,941	1,980	1,469
Near East Total	**13,310**	**15,736**	**14,946**	**18,621**	**18,124**	**15,204**	**20,865**	**22,511**	**21,736**	**20,333**
South Asia (SA)										
Bangladesh, Dhaka	1,255	3,571	6,124	2,209	2,868	2,923	6,829	5,506	7,974	8,208
India, New Delhi	5,382	6,452	6,212	7,161	9,049	9,160	9,432	8,567	9,042	7,487
Calcutta [19]	1,046	802	777	642	61	96	93	97	97	80
Chennai (Madras)	4,988	4,973	5,218	5,369	5,196	4,231	4,552	5,466	4,838	4,369
Mumbai (Bombay)	10,263	10,874	10,556	10,530	13,281	10,610	11,566	13,972	13,306	12,534
Nepal, Kathmandu	78	107	105	102	138	132	181	251	268	363
Pakistan, Islamabad [20]							2,571	9,184	9,915	10,477
Karachi [6]	2,969	3,710	3,791	3,725	7,797	7,222	5,970			
Lahore [21]	2,381	2,997	3,943	3,536						
Sri Lanka, Colombo	366	521	633	402	480	490	442	507	592	618
South Asia Total	**28,728**	**34,007**	**37,359**	**33,676**	**38,870**	**34,864**	**41,636**	**43,550**	**46,032**	**44,136**
Grand Total	**412,860**	**437,768**	**448,314**	**527,996**	**541,119**	**505,332**	**409,405**	**425,930**	**418,889**	**376,701**

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[1] Immigrant visa services ceased in Fiscal Year 1993.

[2] Immigrant visa services ceased in Fiscal Year 1996.

[3] Immigrant visa services were suspended in Fiscal Year 1997 and have not subsequently been resumed.

[4] Immigrant visa services ceased in Fiscal Year 1989.

[5] Immigrant visa services ceased in Fiscal Year 1994.

[6] Immigrant visa services ceased in Fiscal Year 1995.

[7] The U.S. Embassy in Mogadishu was evacuated on January 5, 1991. Visa services have not subsequently been resumed.

[8] Visa services at Embassy Khartoum were suspended on February 5, 1996 and have not subsequently been resumed. Khartoum's visa services are being handled through Embassy Cairo.

Table XV
Immigrant Visas Issued by Issuing Office (Continued)
(All Categories, Including Replaced Visas)
Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998

[9] Immigrant visa services ceased in Fiscal Year 1991.

[10] Immigrant visas services began in Fiscal Year 1994.

[11] Immigrant visa services ceased in Fiscal Year 1997.

[12] The Taipei office of the American Institute in Taiwan, although an unofficial instrumentality, has been authorized to process visa applications for residents of Taiwan.

[13] Immigrant visa services began in Fiscal Year 1993.

[14] With the unification of Germany on October 3, 1990 visa services in Berlin were consolidated at the Embassy Branch Office, Berlin; immigrant visa services at that office ceased in Fiscal Year 1991.

[15] Beirut immigrant visa files, which had been temporarily located at Embassy Athens, were transferred to Embassy Abu Dhabi during Fiscal Year 1991. One immigrant visa included in the Beirut Files total for Fiscal Year 1991 was issued at Abu Dhabi after transfer of Beirut Files.

[16] Immigrant visa services ceased in Fiscal Year 1998.

[17] Immigrant visa services ceased in Fiscal Year 1990.

[18] Regular visa services have been suspended since Fiscal Year 1985.

[19] Immigrant visa services ceased in Fiscal Year 1992, with the exception of visas for returning residents and for orphans to be adopted in the United States.

[20] Immigrant visa services began in Fiscal Year 1995.

[21] Immigrant visa services ceased in Fiscal Year 1992.

Table XVI(A)
Classes of Nonimmigrants Issued Visas
(Including Crewlist Visas and Border Crossing Cards)
Fiscal Years 1994 – 1998

Class of Nonimmigrant		1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Total		**5,610,953**	**6,181,822**	**6,237,870**	**5,942,061**	**5,814,153**
A	Foreign Government Official	67,190	73,877	78,078	79,291	79,583
B-1	Temporary Visitor for Business	216,825	208,073	204,374	232,377	192,837
B-2	Temporary Visitor for Pleasure	690,946	1,058,332	1,012,511	1,020,402	854,738
B-1/B-2	Temporary Visitor for Business and Pleasure	2,987,629	3,129,435	3,369,635	3,070,539	3,226,799
B1/B2/BCC	Combination B-1/B-2 and Border Crossing Card [1]	532,611	543,122	361,379	387,845	289,883
C	Transit [2]	177,815	185,291	186,556	46,062	39,879
C-1/D	Combination Transit/Crew Member (Indiv. Iss.) [2]				152,215	172,955
D-Indiv.Iss.	Crew Member (Individual Issuance) [2]	161,790	164,656	168,192	20,349	20,174
D-Crewlist	Crewlist Visas	13,996	14,218	13,363	12,718	11,260
E	Treaty Trader or Investor	30,931	30,185	29,909	29,758	30,232
F	Student	235,218	248,645	262,197	288,582	273,410
G	Representative/Staff of International Organization	26,525	28,311	30,258	29,221	30,813
H	Temporary Worker and Trainee	98,008	114,370	121,340	161,278	190,671
I	Representative of Foreign Information Media	14,698	11,698	21,494	12,056	11,627
J	Exchange Visitor	198,790	204,926	204,232	213,687	225,628
K	Fiance(e) of U.S. Citizen	9,212	10,003	11,597	13,455	14,467
L	Intracompany Transferee	49,116	62,596	69,715	80,065	82,483
M	Vocational Student	5,678	6,316	6,753	7,359	6,972
NATO	NATO Official	4,815	5,511	5,490	5,112	4,593
N	Certain Relatives of SK Special Immigrants	49	83	23	21	26
O	Person With Extraordinary Ability in the Sciences, Arts, Education, Business, or Athletics	3,980	4,879	4,874	5,941	7,091
P	Athlete, Artist, or Entertainer	20,379	23,717	24,453	27,548	30,692
Q	International Cultural Exchange Program Participant	1,069	943	1,661	1,290	1,312
R	Person in a Religious Occupation	4,291	4,907	5,511	6,373	6,845
S	Informant Possessing Information on Criminal Activity or Terrorism [3]	-	-	-	-	-
NAFTA	NAFTA Professional [4]	22	148	346	511	825
Other Nonimmigrant Classes						
BCC	Border Crossing Cards (BCC) [1]	59,370	47,580	43,929	38,006	8,358

[1] Border Crossing Cards (BCC) were issued at posts in Canada and Mexico; issuance ceased in Fiscal Year 1998. Combination B-1/B-2 and Border Crossing Card (B1/B2/BCC) issuances began in Fiscal Year 1984 at posts in Mexico and in Fiscal Year 1992 at posts in Canada; issuance ceased in Fiscal Year 1998 at posts in Canada.

[2] Beginning with Fiscal Year 1997, combination C-1/D visas (issued in lieu of separate concurrent C-1 and D visas) are counted as one visa, not two.

[3] Category established by the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 (P.L. 103-322) and effective September 13, 1994 through September 12, 1999 only.

[4] Category established by INA 214(e) as amended by the North American Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act and effective January 1, 1994.

Table XVI(B)
Nonimmigrant Visas Issued by Classification
(Including Crewlist Visas and Border Crossing Cards)
Fiscal Years 1994 – 1998

Visa Symbol/Class		1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
A–1	Ambassador, public minister, career diplomat, consul, and immediate family	9,856	9,811	9,940	10,869	10,437
A–2	Other foreign government official or employee, and immediate family	55,171	61,614	65,998	66,152	66,998
A–3	Attendant, servant, or personal employee of A–1 and A–2, and immediate family	2,163	2,452	2,140	2,270	2,148
B–1	Temporary visitor for business	216,825	208,073	204,374	232,377	192,837
B–2	Temporary visitor for pleasure	690,946	1,058,332	1,012,511	1,020,402	854,738
B–1/B–2	Temporary visitor for business and pleasure	2,987,629	3,129,435	3,369,635	3,070,539	3,226,799
B1/B2/BCC	Combination B–1/B–2 and Border Crossing Card [1]	532,611	543,122	361,379	387,845	289,883
C–1	Person in transit [2]	172,021	177,538	178,403	37,423	31,457
C–1/D	Combination transit/crew member (indiv. iss.) [2]				152,215	172,955
C–2	Person in transit to United Nations Headquarters	114	58	66	44	34
C–3	Foreign government official, immediate family, attendant, servant, or personal employee in transit	5,680	7,695	8,087	8,595	8,388
D–Indiv.Iss.	Crew Member (sea or air) (individual issuance) [2]	161,790	164,656	168,192	20,349	20,174
D–Crewlist	Crewlist Visas	13,996	14,218	13,363	12,718	11,260
E–1	Treaty trader, spouse and children	11,695	11,082	10,471	9,497	9,457
E–2	Treaty investor, spouse and children	19,236	19,103	19,438	20,261	20,775
F–1	Student (academic or language training program)	214,546	227,761	241,003	266,483	251,565
F–2	Spouse or child of student	20,672	20,884	21,194	22,099	21,845
G–1	Principal resident representative of recognized foreign member government to international organization, staff, and immediate family	3,957	4,075	4,382	4,800	4,957
G–2	Other representative of recognized foreign member government to international organization, and immediate family	7,341	9,263	10,457	8,564	8,847
G–3	Representative of nonrecognized or nonmember foreign government to international organization, and immediate family	273	283	248	202	150
G–4	International organization officer or employee, and immediate family	13,365	13,247	13,662	14,109	15,245
G–5	Attendant, servant, or personal employee of G–1 through G–4, and immediate family	1,589	1,443	1,509	1,546	1,614
H–1A	Temporary worker performing services as a registered nurse	6,441	7,261	1,745	61	18
H–1B	Temporary worker of distinguished merit and ability performing services other than as a registered nurse	42,843	51,832	58,327	80,547	91,360
H–2A	Temporary worker performing agricultural services	7,721	8,379	11,004	16,011	22,676
H–2B	Temporary worker performing other services	10,400	11,737	12,200	15,706	20,192
H–3	Trainee	1,803	1,843	1,877	1,747	1,830
H–4	Spouse or child of H–1A/B, H–2A/B, or H–3	28,800	33,318	36,187	47,206	54,595
I	Representative of foreign information media, spouse and children	14,698	11,698	21,494	12,056	11,627
J–1	Exchange visitor	166,639	171,445	171,164	179,598	192,451
J–2	Spouse or child of exchange visitor	32,151	33,481	33,068	34,089	33,177

Table XVI(B)
Nonimmigrant Visas Issued by Classification (Continued)
(Including Crewlist Visas and Border Crossing Cards)
Fiscal Years 1994 – 1998

Visa Symbol/Class		1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
K–1	Fiance(e) of U.S. citizen	8,469	9,108	10,502	12,088	12,968
K–2	Child of fiance(e) of U.S. citizen	743	895	1,095	1,367	1,499
L–1	Intracompany transferee (executive, managerial, and specialized personnel continuing employment with international firm or corporation)	22,666	29,088	32,098	36,589	38,307
L–2	Spouse or child of intracompany transferee	26,450	33,508	37,617	43,476	44,176
M–1	Vocational and other nonacademic student	5,395	6,079	6,429	7,075	6,515
M–2	Spouse or child of vocational student	283	237	324	284	457
NATO–1	Principal permanent representative of member state to NATO (including any of its subsidiary bodies) resident in the U.S., and resident members of official staff; principal NATO officers; and immediate family	1	10	12	6	4
NATO–2	Other representatives of member states to NATO (including any of its subsidiary bodies), and immediate family; dependents of member of a force entering in accordance with provisions of NATO agreements; members of such force if issued visas	4,094	4,766	4,980	4,485	4,339
NATO–3	Official clerical staff accompanying a representative of member state to NATO, and immediate family	-	-	2	3	-
NATO–4	Officials of NATO (other than those classifiable as NATO–1), and immediate family	100	187	108	313	80
NATO–5	Experts, other than NATO–4 officials, employed in missions on behalf of NATO, and their dependents	405	366	218	135	18
NATO–6	Members of a civilian component accompanying a force entering in accordance with the provisions of NATO agreements, and their dependents	209	176	164	163	150
NATO–7	Attendant, servant, or personal employee of NATO–1 through NATO–6, and immediate family	6	6	6	7	2
N–8	Parent of SK–3 special immigrant	24	47	14	19	15
N–9	Child of N–8 or of SK–1, SK–2 or SK–4 special immigrant	25	36	9	2	11
O–1	Person with extraordinary ability in the sciences, arts, education, business, or athletics	2,464	2,879	2,765	3,345	4,257
O–2	Person accompanying and assisting in the artistic or athletic performance by O–1	1,161	1,481	1,594	1,848	1,778
O–3	Spouse or child of O–1 or O–2	355	519	515	748	1,056
P–1	Internationally recognized athlete or member of an internationally recognized entertainment group	14,955	17,575	17,457	18,991	20,598
P–2	Artist or entertainer in a reciprocal exchange program	146	135	143	194	175
P–3	Artist or entertainer in a culturally unique program	4,837	5,498	6,285	7,756	9,291
P–4	Spouse or child of P–1, P–2, or P–3	441	509	568	507	628
Q–1	Participant in an International Cultural Exchange Program	1,069	943	1,661	1,290	1,312
R–1	Person in a religious occupation	3,303	3,886	4,285	5,082	5,450

Table XVI(B)
Nonimmigrant Visas Issued by Classification (Continued)
(Including Crewlist Visas and Border Crossing Cards)
Fiscal Years 1994 – 1998

Visa Symbol/Class		1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
R–2	Spouse or child of R–1	988	1,021	1,226	1,291	1,395
S–5	Informant possessing critical reliable information concerning criminal organization or enterprise [3]	-	-	-	-	-
S–6	Informant possessing critical reliable information concerning terrorist organization, enterprise, or operation [3]	-	-	-	-	-
S–7	Spouse, married or unmarried son or daughter, or parent of S–5 or S–6 [3]	-	-	-	-	-
TN	NAFTA professional [4]	4	34	115	171	295
TD	Spouse or child of TN [4]	18	114	231	340	530
Other Nonimmigrant Classes						
BCC	Border Crossing Cards [1]	59,370	47,580	43,929	38,006	8,358
Grand Total		**5,610,953**	**6,181,822**	**6,237,870**	**5,942,061**	**5,814,153**

[1] Border Crossing Cards (BCC) were issued at posts in Canada and Mexico; issuance ceased in Fiscal Year 1998. Combination B–1/B–2 and Border Crossing Card (B/B2/BCC) issuances began in Fiscal Year 1984 at posts in Mexico and in Fiscal Year 1992 at posts in Canada; issuance ceased in Fiscal Year 1998 at posts in Canada.

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Table XVII (Part I)
Nonimmigrant Visas Issued
Fiscal Year 1998

Nationality	A	B-1	B-2	B-1,2	B-1,2/BCC	C	C-1/D	D	E	F	G	H	I
Africa													
Algeria	94	1,893	3,264	468	10	69	2	15	1	148	220	81	8
Angola	92	17	302	1,395	0	29	7	0	0	180	118	0	0
Benin	57	58	102	568	1	23	0	19	0	56	120	7	0
Botswana	107	1	84	425	0	7	3	0	0	452	46	8	3
Burkina Faso	76	52	218	739	0	22	1	60	0	42	124	6	0
Burundi	47	13	44	122	4	32	0	0	0	42	88	1	0
Cameroon	123	276	809	1,315	0	29	0	0	1	227	300	68	8
Cape Verde	39	5	573	2,096	4	33	24	1	0	13	29	4	0
Central African Republic	15	12	38	53	0	1	0	21	0	8	51	0	0
Chad	90	16	264	134	0	5	0	50	0	51	78	4	0
Comoros	5	2	6	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	0	0
Congo, Republic of the	48	26	140	225	0	28	0	45	0	40	84	1	0
Congo, Dem. Rep. of the	80	41	299	1,865	4	52	0	1	0	156	176	20	0
Cote d'Ivoire	200	199	351	2,912	0	68	0	75	0	266	305	36	17
Djibouti	67	17	757	36	0	0	0	0	0	4	24	1	0
Egypt	2,622	592	657	32,397	193	283	544	133	8	961	255	685	28
Equatorial Guinea	61	20	21	13	0	0	0	0	0	12	27	0	0
Eritrea	44	272	415	362	5	4	0	2	0	36	36	2	0
Ethiopia	168	527	1,625	2,393	12	48	11	315	0	247	264	31	5
Gabon	98	11	98	650	0	2	5	7	0	107	138	9	0
Gambia	69	37	105	1,215	0	12	1	3	0	96	83	7	0
Ghana	250	1,026	3,018	7,108	0	114	187	6	0	564	290	110	5
Guinea	190	43	232	4,954	1	21	5	0	0	359	103	2	0
Guinea-Bissau	8	13	26	92	0	1	0	0	0	12	25	1	0
Kenya	200	182	1,087	5,216	0	21	3	3	0	2,777	374	226	0
Lesotho	19	1	77	163	0	0	0	0	0	14	21	6	0
Liberia	47	142	1,214	1,191	0	9	5	0	0	158	66	8	0
Libya	1	13	119	59	0	0	0	1	0	10	137	3	0
Madagascar	68	103	210	197	0	3	11	60	0	40	112	5	0
Malawi	47	6	20	528	0	10	0	0	0	169	90	3	0
Mali	97	558	711	1,428	0	62	0	20	0	130	194	12	2
Mauritania	23	129	221	157	0	6	20	7	0	96	97	3	0
Mauritius	21	22	598	857	0	4	52	1	0	59	66	31	3
Morocco	446	512	4,414	11,344	7	44	226	149	12	791	192	131	3

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Table XVII (Part II)
Nonimmigrant Visas Issued
Fiscal Year 1998

Nationality	J	K	L	M	NATO	N	O	P	Q	R	S	NAFTA	Total Visas	BCC	Grand Total
Africa															
Algeria	129	17	22	7	0	0	1	14	0	0	0	6	6,469	128	6,597
Angola	31	0	38	1	0	0	4	8	0	0	0	0	2,222	0	2,222
Benin	68	2	7	0	0	0	1	1	6	1	0	0	1,097	3	1,100
Botswana	83	0	2	6	0	0	0	1	10	0	0	0	1,238	0	1,238
Burkina Faso	33	1	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1,378	1	1,379
Burundi	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	396	35	431
Cameroon	88	19	17	4	0	0	3	6	2	5	0	0	3,300	3	3,303
Cape Verde	4	20	0	1	0	0	0	38	0	1	0	0	2,885	0	2,885
Central African Republic	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	208	2	210
Chad	21	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	715	1	716
Comoros	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	47	0	47
Congo, Republic of the	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	652	0	652
Congo, Dem. Rep. of the	42	5	14	4	0	0	0	7	1	13	0	0	2,780	24	2,804
Cote d'Ivoire	88	3	0	3	0	0	0	92	1	0	0	2	4,618	9	4,627
Djibouti	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	907	1	908
Egypt	1,742	21	106	63	0	0	30	137	1	121	0	9	41,588	129	41,717
Equatorial Guinea	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	160	0	160
Eritrea	34	1	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1,220	7	1,227
Ethiopia	117	34	16	1	0	0	0	2	1	12	0	0	5,829	83	5,912
Gabon	6	1	0	1	0	0	0	22	0	0	0	0	1,155	0	1,155
Gambia	8	2	2	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1,646	0	1,646
Ghana	403	76	3	7	0	0	0	84	1	39	0	0	13,291	0	13,291
Guinea	56	3	0	1	0	0	0	14	1	0	0	0	5,985	7	5,992
Guinea-Bissau	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	185	0	185
Kenya	339	19	24	60	0	0	0	74	26	15	0	0	10,646	0	10,646
Lesotho	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	309	0	309
Liberia	20	12	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	2,888	4	2,892
Libya	6	17	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	370	0	370
Madagascar	82	2	3	3	0	0	0	2	3	5	0	0	909	5	914
Malawi	69	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	948	0	948
Mali	87	3	5	1	0	0	0	14	0	0	0	0	3,324	5	3,329
Mauritania	10	1	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	775	0	775
Mauritius	29	2	7	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,756	0	1,756
Morocco	391	49	21	6	0	0	6	48	72	0	0	4	18,868	97	18,965

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Nationality	A	B-1	B-2	B-1,2	B-1,2/BCC	C	C-1/D	D	E	F	G	H	I
Africa--Continued													
Mozambique	141	7	11	448	0	41	2	0	0	45	53	4	0
Namibia	111	4	19	416	0	8	6	1	0	27	53	4	0
Niger	66	286	183	78	0	15	2	16	0	64	100	4	0
Nigeria	250	920	1,098	21,453	0	70	35	34	0	932	487	382	16
Rwanda	46	11	39	896	2	20	0	0	0	73	50	1	0
Sao Tome and Principe	37	0	6	43	0	1	0	0	0	2	11	1	0
Senegal	175	280	1,104	5,627	2	107	2	44	0	377	348	49	2
Seychelles	13	23	60	130	0	1	2	0	0	2	9	1	1
Sierra Leone	16	10	109	1,104	0	15	5	0	0	65	98	10	0
Somalia	0	31	375	288	1	8	0	3	0	19	39	2	0
South Africa	524	190	1,372	61,289	1	222	1,620	165	4	774	177	2,889	30
Sudan	99	581	1,287	573	20	36	4	34	0	222	190	51	2
Swaziland	33	2	9	152	0	1	1	0	0	26	37	0	2
Tanzania	67	315	1,105	835	1	9	2	10	0	527	203	48	0
Togo	80	36	417	352	0	26	0	21	0	113	120	6	0
Tunisia	293	105	3,666	3,347	3	15	71	19	2	184	135	26	2
Uganda	143	6	96	2,329	0	17	7	2	0	244	117	26	2
Zambia	92	14	160	1,345	0	3	1	7	0	245	165	18	2
Zimbabwe	210	18	97	4,347	0	8	9	2	0	638	204	84	1
Region Total for Africa	**8,015**	**9,676**	**33,332**	**187,743**	**271**	**1,665**	**2,876**	**1,352**	**28**	**12,902**	**6,946**	**5,118**	**142**
Asia													
Afghanistan	1	61	1,044	752	12	32	3	0	0	22	53	7	0
Bahrain	209	8	1,031	1,124	0	2	5	3	0	240	24	15	0
Bangladesh	293	327	5,008	5,166	1	72	696	1	4	1,177	358	706	1
Bhutan	5	18	48	58	0	3	4	2	0	31	44	0	0
Brunei	46	1	14	50	0	6	11	10	0	15	41	3	4
Burma	42	287	958	64	6	692	8	1,467	0	227	129	76	0
Cambodia	44	74	101	268	1	6	0	0	0	21	22	9	0
China (mainland)	1,040	99,936	34,011	63,385	2,208	8,604	65	3,053	7	18,048	748	7,234	356
(Taiwan)	1	89	1,360	235,914	1,947	208	2,592	5	1,466	14,467	12	2,305	144

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Nationality	J	K	L	M	NATO	N	O	P	Q	R	S	NAFTA	Total Visas	BCC	Grand Total
Africa–Continued															
Mozambique	66	1	0	1	0	0	1	33	0	0	0	0	854	0	854
Namibia	107	1	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	764	0	764
Niger	27	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	845	2	847
Nigeria	360	274	169	28	0	0	2	358	0	96	0	0	26,964	2	26,966
Rwanda	16	5	0	3	0	0	0	12	0	5	0	0	1,179	13	1,192
Sao Tome and Principe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	102	0	102
Senegal	208	14	12	0	0	0	8	63	3	1	0	0	8,426	15	8,441
Seychelles	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	247	0	247
Sierra Leone	13	10	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	1,462	0	1,462
Somalia	2	10	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	780	3	783
South Africa	2,661	41	1,007	43	0	0	44	115	44	140	0	2	73,354	0	73,354
Sudan	20	2	5	8	0	0	2	4	0	3	0	0	3,143	64	3,207
Swaziland	18	2	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	289	0	289
Tanzania	395	4	0	16	0	0	0	2	2	22	0	1	3,564	0	3,564
Togo	29	7	1	1	0	0	0	16	1	0	0	0	1,226	2	1,228
Tunisia	150	3	10	9	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	3	8,048	32	8,080
Uganda	136	3	0	3	0	0	1	35	7	14	0	0	3,188	0	3,188
Zambia	185	1	2	2	0	0	0	14	1	3	0	0	2,260	1	2,261
Zimbabwe	210	7	9	28	0	0	1	45	2	14	0	0	5,934	0	5,934
Region Total for Africa	**8,632**	**700**	**1,524**	**337**	**0**	**0**	**114**	**1,267**	**189**	**536**	**0**	**28**	**283,393**	**678**	**284,071**
Asia															
Afghanistan	11	45	13	1	0	0	0	22	0	0	0	0	2,079	85	2,164
Bahrain	27	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,694	0	2,694
Bangladesh	274	5	35	5	0	0	0	15	0	9	0	1	14,154	0	14,154
Bhutan	12	0	1	7	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	242	0	242
Brunei	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	205	0	205
Burma	35	11	4	2	0	0	0	8	0	63	0	0	4,079	4	4,083
Cambodia	49	68	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	669	7	676
China (mainland)	9,803	743	3,002	58	0	1	136	731	73	19	0	56	253,317	1,797	255,114
(Taiwan)	1,572	45	545	119	0	0	15	262	0	78	0	4	263,150	817	263,967

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Nationality	A	B-1	B-2	B-1,2	B-1,2/BCC	C	C-1/D	D	E	F	G	H	I
Asia-Continued													
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region	5	256	3,860	30,079	488	38	79	0	0	502	10	169	18
India	990	20,215	89,238	79,793	0	1,300	10,625	511	17	12,905	1,105	64,659	114
Indonesia	823	1,031	1,029	22,275	62	112	4,710	26	5	6,573	346	513	57
Iran	10	718	16,957	3,645	0	124	24	20	22	406	564	258	21
Iraq	6	67	984	716	0	43	2	2	0	41	173	215	0
Israel	1,622	186	3,874	110,799	325	97	412	830	737	1,957	60	1,661	51
Japan	8,557	1,358	852	8,708	71	2,211	7,610	10	13,587	35,166	434	5,274	1,838
Jordan	865	272	2,369	10,259	100	55	285	139	1	783	118	428	13
Korea, North	0	63	1,169	197	0	1	0	0	0	31	63	2	0
Korea, South	1,687	494	2,986	328,614	1,209	156	4,640	5	1,613	25,659	251	2,040	401
Kuwait	607	6	38	13,319	2	12	0	140	0	1,965	53	10	3
Laos	63	47	641	32	4	3	0	0	0	48	61	0	0
Lebanon	219	389	3,196	10,422	79	34	17	36	1	547	124	294	34
Malaysia	521	304	1,050	28,852	0	94	1,929	5	1	2,085	139	767	40
Maldives	14	6	6	58	0	0	3	0	0	3	18	0	0
Mongolia	107	240	214	522	0	13	0	0	0	817	72	20	0
Nepal	115	208	376	3,930	10	181	13	62	0	1,318	194	176	0
Oman	259	6	1,298	497	0	3	30	2	0	392	40	1	0
Pakistan	643	1,079	15,266	19,177	0	109	1,177	37	104	1,912	461	2,808	27
Palestinian Authority Travel Document	0	110	1,102	1,607	4	8	0	0	0	125	5	34	0
Philippines	1,632	7,419	4,337	88,589	2,441	648	34,284	266	86	716	1,107	5,334	51
Qatar	365	4	25	1,911	0	1	1	0	0	442	28	0	0
Saudi Arabia	3,872	47	299	37,984	1	260	6	827	0	5,976	140	72	1
Singapore	1,933	43	274	43,480	0	12	1,537	5	6	1,381	81	523	26
Sri Lanka	299	685	1,063	6,399	1	78	570	11	1	636	255	403	7
Syria	72	198	1,572	7,074	26	37	11	124	0	273	112	308	0
Thailand	806	261	475	24,561	36	159	1,639	25	182	3,049	131	298	36
United Arab Emirates	948	4	1,616	6,516	0	2	2	33	0	2,107	26	6	2
Vietnam	311	2,686	1,770	778	103	92	0	8	0	1,216	247	36	2
Yemen	202	125	408	2,006	5	8	1	4	0	313	111	16	0
Region Total for Asia	**29,234**	**139,328**	**201,919**	**1,199,580**	**9,142**	**15,516**	**72,991**	**7,669**	**17,840**	**143,592**	**7,960**	**96,680**	**3,247**

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Nonimmigrant Visas Issued (Continued)
Fiscal Year 1998

Nationality	J	K	L	M	NATO	N	O	P	Q	R	S	NAFTA	Total Visas	BCC	Grand Total
Asia–Continued															
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region	82	13	51	1	0	0	18	12	2	2	0	1	35,686	80	35,766
India	4,340	657	4,443	304	0	0	442	2,755	2	788	0	16	295,219	1	295,220
Indonesia	706	65	372	46	0	0	5	15	0	38	0	1	38,810	27	38,837
Iran	179	271	45	3	0	0	6	13	0	1	0	9	23,296	0	23,296
Iraq	17	68	7	0	0	0	29	2	0	5	0	1	2,378	0	2,378
Israel	3,687	27	1,281	33	0	0	91	398	0	108	0	2	128,238	100	128,338
Japan	11,765	378	17,492	1,154	0	1	225	666	55	255	0	12	117,679	33	117,712
Jordan	440	61	66	7	0	0	10	0	0	5	0	1	16,277	43	16,320
Korea, North	1	0	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1,531	0	1,531
Korea, South	6,874	227	2,861	199	0	0	76	259	0	293	0	9	380,553	92	380,645
Kuwait	68	0	14	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16,239	1	16,240
Laos	24	241	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1,166	2	1,168
Lebanon	371	107	35	17	0	0	40	119	0	7	0	7	16,095	170	16,265
Malaysia	728	24	552	17	0	0	6	9	0	21	0	3	37,147	0	37,147
Maldives	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	113	0	113
Mongolia	237	6	11	2	0	0	6	7	0	8	0	0	2,282	0	2,282
Nepal	196	9	9	54	0	0	3	0	1	145	0	0	7,000	8	7,008
Oman	223	0	5	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,760	0	2,760
Pakistan	1,137	91	294	26	0	4	52	116	0	54	0	0	44,574	0	44,574
Palestinian Authority Travel Document	151	8	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	3,162	10	3,172
Philippines	948	1,685	788	41	1	0	94	105	1	254	0	9	150,836	346	151,182
Qatar	85	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,866	0	2,866
Saudi Arabia	985	0	147	444	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	51,062	5	51,067
Singapore	569	14	431	34	0	0	3	5	0	19	0	3	50,379	0	50,379
Sri Lanka	172	12	47	22	0	1	2	9	0	28	0	6	10,707	0	10,707
Syria	310	93	19	12	0	0	18	55	0	9	0	1	10,324	99	10,423
Thailand	1,183	239	99	27	0	0	12	14	0	133	0	1	33,366	5	33,371
United Arab Emirates	48	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11,310	0	11,310
Vietnam	488	885	12	5	0	0	2	9	21	67	0	3	8,741	222	8,963
Yemen	50	3	11	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,277	10	3,287
Region Total for Asia	**47,853**	**6,101**	**32,696**	**2,675**	**1**	**7**	**1,292**	**5,607**	**155**	**2,431**	**0**	**146**	**2,043,662**	**3,964**	**2,047,626**

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Nationality	A	B-1	B-2	B-1,2	B-1,2/BCC	C	C-1/D	D	E	F	G	H	I
Europe													
Albania	105	61	428	2,305	4	2	2	1	0	304	71	55	7
Andorra	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	12	5	1	0
Armenia	77	681	3,555	252	1	16	1	0	3	98	102	116	6
Austria	168	39	165	1,725	42	6	1,096	8	154	1,039	137	373	156
Azerbaijan	83	277	699	295	1	1	6	0	0	99	49	27	1
Belarus	75	1,076	3,000	197	16	43	10	1	0	181	125	203	0
Belgium	224	116	106	505	11	12	296	655	201	754	200	511	83
Bosnia and Herzegovina	55	89	1,263	1,354	21	12	5	5	15	181	25	35	6
Bulgaria	427	104	5,736	3,602	55	193	1,373	4	2	2,192	139	625	60
Croatia	209	243	4,856	7,207	58	109	4,180	45	21	498	100	234	141
Cyprus	51	16	1,221	3,788	0	3	28	12	0	952	53	91	3
Czech Republic	364	39	195	44,080	33	39	259	36	6	664	116	208	46
Denmark	124	282	708	2,581	49	11	1,707	8	128	757	284	418	77
Estonia	173	9	175	4,040	7	41	77	0	0	143	41	32	8
Finland	258	133	161	650	11	4	601	5	207	505	168	259	82
France	2,912	559	671	1,791	10	96	4,892	38	1,163	4,999	1,027	3,100	410
Georgia	232	180	2,598	1,430	1	31	165	1	0	307	33	79	2
Germany	1,330	179	424	14,489	216	463	5,492	48	2,867	8,514	472	3,155	762
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	3,031	1,343	13,868	83,307	88	485	13,173	98	2,399	6,055	802	10,149	1,875
Greece	245	151	5,846	28,045	39	34	3,779	494	5	1,128	86	348	68
Hungary	164	191	6,290	28,032	38	1,031	10	714	2	610	177	416	80
Iceland	36	1	21	1,051	0	0	369	36	0	405	27	97	6
Ireland	198	37	55	1,833	0	4	847	6	117	458	121	767	71
Italy	587	138	227	4,251	112	30	4,206	66	726	3,689	443	1,145	182
Kazakhstan	431	1,047	1,371	407	15	36	2	13	0	437	112	65	5
Kyrgyzstan	171	277	569	156	1	4	0	0	0	126	55	3	1
Latvia	217	75	1,222	2,408	13	27	458	3	4	150	70	75	25
Liechtenstein	0	5	6	16	0	0	4	0	1	33	3	2	0
Lithuania	382	38	155	3,960	18	11	541	0	0	217	39	60	22
Luxembourg	14	3	1	181	2	1	23	2	7	34	25	17	4
Macedonia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of	168	42	858	2,729	13	155	5	121	0	231	63	30	10
Malta	37	4	39	4,662	0	0	11	0	0	11	15	2	0

Table XVII (Part II)
Nonimmigrant Visas Issued (Continued)
Fiscal Year 1998

Nationality	J	K	L	M	NATO	N	O	P	Q	R	S	NAFTA	Total Visas	BCC	Grand Total
Europe															
Albania	528	18	4	6	0	0	7	2	0	4	0	0	3,914	19	3,933
Andorra	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	0	24
Armenia	584	11	37	0	0	0	10	106	0	3	0	0	5,659	14	5,673
Austria	1,811	21	355	89	3	0	69	336	1	30	0	5	7,828	4	7,832
Azerbaijan	217	3	7	3	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	1,771	5	1,776
Belarus	1,054	55	22	1	0	0	11	69	0	4	0	3	6,146	21	6,167
Belgium	1,328	18	803	156	537	0	51	130	4	11	0	2	6,714	16	6,730
Bosnia and Herzegovina	344	6	5	2	0	0	0	3	0	4	0	0	3,430	75	3,505
Bulgaria	1,336	30	99	4	0	0	48	99	1	14	0	0	16,143	119	16,262
Croatia	605	17	24	4	0	0	9	19	0	25	0	0	18,604	58	18,662
Cyprus	663	0	13	21	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	6,919	1	6,920
Czech Republic	2,640	14	85	12	2	0	21	140	0	10	0	0	49,009	22	49,031
Denmark	2,116	17	580	51	298	0	38	47	4	10	0	1	10,296	20	10,316
Estonia	426	9	9	0	0	0	2	7	0	3	0	0	5,202	4	5,206
Finland	1,898	24	840	18	1	0	37	80	0	33	0	0	5,975	2	5,977
France	11,619	165	4,685	226	23	1	432	731	241	82	0	13	39,886	45	39,931
Georgia	628	1	4	1	0	0	2	113	0	5	0	0	5,813	2	5,815
Germany	25,157	229	5,481	434	1,126	0	333	1,003	118	148	0	7	72,447	41	72,488
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	19,897	639	12,204	334	468	0	1,786	3,372	144	332	0	22	175,871	11	175,882
Greece	695	21	41	52	268	0	55	190	0	16	0	1	41,607	15	41,622
Hungary	2,168	29	95	5	2	0	35	278	0	40	0	0	40,407	28	40,435
Iceland	236	3	45	97	0	0	49	5	0	0	0	0	2,484	1	2,485
Ireland	10,341	53	853	46	1	0	135	807	3	92	0	1	16,846	0	16,846
Italy	3,767	77	976	217	336	0	249	397	90	94	0	3	22,008	28	22,036
Kazakhstan	665	28	31	2	0	0	2	5	0	2	0	0	4,676	10	4,686
Kyrgyzstan	280	18	2	0	0	0	0	13	0	2	0	0	1,678	5	1,683
Latvia	532	63	6	2	0	0	13	24	0	3	0	0	5,390	9	5,399
Liechtenstein	7	0	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	82	0	82
Lithuania	1,375	55	12	0	0	0	6	66	1	17	0	1	6,976	11	6,987
Luxembourg	41	2	11	7	2	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	380	1	381
Macedonia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of	482	8	8	6	0	0	3	8	0	7	0	0	4,947	14	4,961
Malta	63	2	13	12	0	0	5	1	0	7	0	0	4,884	1	4,885

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Nationality	A	B-1	B-2	B-1,2	B-1,2/BCC	C	C-1/D	D	E	F	G	H	I
Europe–Continued													
Moldova	88	270	432	293	11	26	2	12	4	108	34	45	0
Monaco	2	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	7	5	1	0
Netherlands	216	209	122	2,529	116	11	4,324	16	322	1,452	262	1,108	203
Norway	171	223	497	867	19	12	2,002	22	366	1,298	91	234	53
Poland	442	507	7,125	69,080	238	168	3,889	21	27	1,215	181	882	196
Portugal	265	103	3,634	37,575	489	237	818	458	2	504	127	149	108
Romania	587	144	4,418	14,910	478	368	1,642	15	1	799	209	584	153
Russia	2,215	2,052	6,911	92,484	206	1,329	8,346	31	1	4,700	1,577	2,959	293
San Marino	4	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	7	0	0
Serbia-Montenegro [1]	49	151	3,931	9,191	194	543	43	428	3	758	58	340	55
Slovakia	251	111	2,304	8,899	44	186	31	149	6	446	106	162	57
Slovenia	142	22	46	588	1	11	180	14	46	220	41	33	18
Spain	511	500	307	2,900	8	27	1,012	1,005	203	3,676	278	1,121	198
Sweden	1,138	319	1,295	2,341	34	443	1,391	466	666	2,857	256	776	127
Switzerland	226	507	380	4,011	14	5	2,001	17	401	5,469	159	724	111
Tajikistan	4	17	10	127	1	1	0	0	0	50	13	1	0
Turkey	921	170	4,105	41,082	54	148	1,035	313	74	5,346	204	850	108
Turkmenistan	84	124	96	17	0	3	0	19	0	29	24	0	0
Ukraine	558	4,237	6,512	3,845	152	154	2,956	712	1	852	283	703	13
Uzbekistan	306	16	57	2,081	0	40	2	281	0	254	83	63	9
Vatican City	49	0	1	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	1
Region Total for Europe	**20,777**	**17,118**	**98,673**	**544,175**	**2,934**	**6,612**	**73,293**	**6,399**	**10,151**	**65,825**	**9,187**	**33,433**	**5,902**
North America													
Antigua and Barbuda	28	3	1,241	1,660	0	18	19	1	0	105	11	26	0
Bahamas	156	131	14,647	1,166	0	20	236	20	0	1,039	17	110	0
Barbados	204	22	3,273	7,439	0	83	138	0	0	267	25	45	1
Belize	49	6	1,986	4,483	0	185	31	0	0	217	11	18	0
Canada	311	120	16	94	1	10	120	7	975	188	527	152	37
Costa Rica	179	102	827	51,635	15	475	804	10	12	492	91	188	65
Cuba	164	2,716	5,228	980	16	110	4	3	3	25	276	39	18

Table XVII (Part II)
Nonimmigrant Visas Issued (Continued)
Fiscal Year 1998

Nationality	J	K	L	M	NATO	N	O	P	Q	R	S	NAFTA	Total Visas	BCC	Grand Total
Europe–Continued															
Moldova	402	46	6	0	0	0	2	9	0	4	0	0	1,794	21	1,815
Monaco	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	27	0	27
Netherlands	3,553	79	1,898	300	204	0	141	431	8	34	0	11	17,549	27	17,576
Norway	1,878	19	392	56	142	0	33	51	136	18	0	0	8,580	1	8,581
Poland	4,658	154	208	6	3	0	57	249	38	102	0	5	89,451	297	89,748
Portugal	465	30	116	21	175	0	73	204	2	22	0	0	45,577	42	45,619
Romania	1,246	129	72	2	0	0	17	93	0	24	0	5	25,896	297	26,193
Russia	9,735	1,134	733	42	0	0	360	2,401	3	115	0	4	137,631	329	137,960
San Marino	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	20	0	20
Serbia-Montenegro [1]	692	36	38	42	0	0	9	80	0	8	0	3	16,652	332	16,984
Slovakia	1,977	29	17	2	0	0	3	34	0	14	0	1	14,829	22	14,851
Slovenia	202	2	13	2	0	0	8	16	2	1	0	0	1,608	1	1,609
Spain	5,859	39	655	182	134	0	161	610	14	103	0	2	19,505	2	19,507
Sweden	4,728	45	1,310	239	2	0	89	208	1	39	0	1	18,771	8	18,779
Switzerland	2,446	27	966	152	1	0	80	123	5	48	0	7	17,880	3	17,883
Tajikistan	15	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	241	0	241
Turkey	2,327	18	169	72	391	0	38	11	1	19	0	5	57,461	33	57,494
Turkmenistan	90	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	495	1	496
Ukraine	2,669	629	97	10	0	0	41	561	0	70	0	2	25,057	213	25,270
Uzbekistan	510	21	26	3	0	1	1	4	0	0	0	0	3,758	8	3,766
Vatican City	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	77	0	77
Region Total for Europe	**136,966**	**4,083**	**34,070**	**2,940**	**4,119**	**2**	**4,529**	**13,145**	**817**	**1,620**	**0**	**105**	**1,096,875**	**2,239**	**1,099,114**
North America															
Antigua and Barbuda	20	3	0	5	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	3,144	0	3,144
Bahamas	38	8	16	164	0	0	0	12	0	2	0	0	17,782	0	17,782
Barbados	81	5	23	13	0	0	2	24	0	4	0	0	11,649	0	11,649
Belize	39	5	5	6	0	0	0	0	0	14	0	0	7,055	0	7,055
Canada	114	869	209	3	468	9	26	55	0	17	0	15	4,343	1	4,344
Costa Rica	890	39	118	22	0	0	1	4	2	57	0	0	56,028	4	56,032
Cuba	37	121	16	0	0	0	20	612	0	7	0	4	10,399	74	10,473

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Nationality	A	B-1	B-2	B-1,2	B-1,2/BCC	C	C-1/D	D	E	F	G	H	I
North America–Continued													
Dominica	19	31	828	1,872	1	30	86	0	0	111	5	27	0
Dominican Republic	598	814	1,326	54,481	57	360	525	85	1	480	69	845	200
El Salvador	333	110	1,864	51,312	287	1,018	517	143	2	280	75	58	47
Grenada	24	15	1,175	2,900	0	13	231	1	0	87	8	37	0
Guatemala	384	96	361	51,082	171	648	733	52	3	514	93	683	21
Haiti	219	118	4,753	12,804	9	949	228	301	0	313	103	21	9
Honduras	354	93	402	27,085	28	646	2,757	59	3	356	78	321	10
Jamaica	304	597	3,244	37,236	0	387	1,371	14	0	1,030	80	2,568	2
Mexico	1,279	14,111	42,042	338,874	275,608	1,416	2,296	1,352	696	9,291	520	37,767	372
Nicaragua	67	310	1,104	15,558	48	480	777	12	0	204	55	80	13
Panama	477	342	263	14,945	12	435	328	102	0	639	51	293	6
Saint Kitts and Nevis	18	3	608	969	0	13	18	0	0	85	4	10	0
Saint Lucia	45	18	1,602	3,686	0	59	138	0	0	142	10	5	0
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	28	15	793	1,809	0	39	555	2	0	51	8	11	0
Trinidad and Tobago	150	99	534	40,081	0	383	917	3	1	802	94	269	0
Region Total for North America	**5,390**	**19,872**	**88,117**	**722,151**	**276,253**	**7,777**	**12,829**	**2,167**	**1,696**	**16,718**	**2,211**	**43,573**	**801**
Oceania													
Australia	2,818	159	631	8,364	0	52	1,995	36	187	1,164	200	3,128	184
Fiji	21	46	2,737	955	159	509	48	2	0	77	16	7	0
Kiribati	2	4	60	95	0	132	648	1	0	7	0	0	0
Marshall Islands	1	8	3	14	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Micronesia, Federated States of	7	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	4	0	0
Nauru	0	4	12	25	0	1	19	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Zealand	352	120	255	2,809	0	199	655	11	2	388	115	735	39
Palau	0	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Papua New Guinea	44	110	474	13	0	72	1	7	0	48	55	0	0
Samoa	7	20	427	978	0	55	13	0	1	36	8	0	0
Solomon Islands	4	2	7	69	0	20	3	0	0	2	12	1	0

Table XVII (Part II)
Nonimmigrant Visas Issued (Continued)
Fiscal Year 1998

Nationality	J	K	L	M	NATO	N	O	P	Q	R	S	NAFTA	Total Visas	BCC	Grand Total
North America–Continued															
Dominica	15	3	1	3	0	0	0	21	0	9	0	0	3,062	0	3,062
Dominican Republic	504	154	73	7	0	0	4	1,205	5	123	0	0	61,916	24	61,940
El Salvador	241	35	38	11	0	0	7	158	0	31	0	0	56,567	77	56,644
Grenada	17	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	4,512	0	4,512
Guatemala	329	25	76	15	0	0	1	24	0	34	0	0	55,345	42	55,387
Haiti	149	46	7	7	0	1	2	212	0	19	0	1	20,271	280	20,551
Honduras	239	81	18	4	0	0	1	79	1	22	0	1	32,638	34	32,672
Jamaica	740	137	51	48	0	0	47	1,034	0	13	0	1	48,904	0	48,904
Mexico	4,478	704	4,637	179	2	1	158	4,416	102	621	0	492	741,414	87	741,501
Nicaragua	180	17	7	2	0	0	2	18	0	12	0	0	18,946	14	18,960
Panama	227	44	43	15	0	0	5	26	8	18	0	3	18,282	2	18,284
Saint Kitts and Nevis	4	1	0	4	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	1,742	0	1,742
Saint Lucia	19	1	4	15	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	5,746	0	5,746
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	18	1	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	3,337	0	3,337
Trinidad and Tobago	157	23	92	30	0	0	5	245	0	45	0	0	43,930	0	43,930
Region Total for North America	**8,536**	**2,323**	**5,435**	**557**	**470**	**11**	**281**	**8,154**	**118**	**1,055**	**0**	**517**	**1,227,912**	**639**	**1,227,651**
Oceania															
Australia	5,551	167	2,534	91	0	4	321	247	2	200	0	7	28,042	2	28,044
Fiji	10	6	1	9	0	0	0	16	0	9	0	0	4,628	17	4,645
Kiribati	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	951	0	951
Marshall Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	41	0	41
Micronesia, Federated States of	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	0	14
Nauru	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	61	0	61
New Zealand	1,965	38	537	17	0	0	63	43	0	89	0	3	8,435	0	8,435
Palau	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	6
Papua New Guinea	53	0	18	1	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	901	0	901
Samoa	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	53	0	0	1,601	0	1,601
Solomon Islands	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	124	0	124

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Nationality	A	B-1	B-2	B-1,2	B-1,2/BCC	C	C-1/D	D	E	F	G	H	I
Oceania--Continued													
Tonga	18	41	1,278	529	0	26	6	0	0	33	4	0	0
Tuvalu	5	1	8	9	0	14	131	1	0	1	0	0	0
Vanuatu	4	0	6	48	0	5	1	0	0	0	11	0	0
Region Total for Oceania	**3,283**	**515**	**5,899**	**13,913**	**159**	**1,100**	**3,521**	**38**	**192**	**1,756**	**425**	**3,871**	**223**
South America													
Argentina	2,164	75	137	775	16	309	380	169	151	3,321	391	939	59
Bolivia	613	228	192	11,367	12	816	6	86	4	456	290	84	42
Brazil	3,065	1,461	408,123	50,436	99	458	50	1,579	19	15,620	1,150	2,493	508
Chile	1,532	358	1,231	46,833	163	738	1,243	8	3	1,100	332	355	141
Colombia	1,333	779	1,229	220,679	79	410	1,474	28	121	5,443	427	878	219
Ecuador	839	1,110	4,364	56,045	316	731	602	233	0	1,346	167	189	35
Guyana	43	130	1,967	4,669	0	641	370	280	0	108	41	40	3
Paraguay	340	95	103	6,041	11	84	6	1	4	357	39	18	33
Peru	1,019	1,030	2,218	44,732	98	1,432	980	106	2	973	516	844	104
Suriname	35	10	805	1,928	8	118	14	0	6	49	60	21	0
Uruguay	588	62	409	19,874	31	279	223	1	0	162	179	93	57
Venezuela	1,304	696	385	92,837	54	1,099	718	28	10	3,489	322	1,885	108
Region Total for South America	**12,875**	**6,034**	**421,163**	**556,216**	**887**	**7,115**	**6,066**	**2,519**	**320**	**32,424**	**3,914**	**7,839**	**1,389**
No Nationality	**9**	**294**	**5,635**	**3,021**	**237**	**94**	**1,379**	**11,270**	**5**	**193**	**8**	**157**	**3**
United Nations Laissez Passer	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**162**	**0**	**0**
Grand Totals	**79,583**	**192,837**	**854,738**	**3,226,799**	**289,883**	**39,879**	**172,955**	**31,434**	**30,232**	**273,410**	**30,813**	**190,671**	**11,627**

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Nationality	J	K	L	M	NATO	N	O	P	Q	R	S	NAFTA	Total Visas	BCC	Grand Total
Oceania--Continued															
Tonga	2	4	6	0	0	0	0	3	0	32	0	0	1,982	0	1,982
Tuvalu	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	172	0	172
Vanuatu	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	76	0	76
Region Total for Oceania	**7,589**	**217**	**3,096**	**118**	**0**	**4**	**384**	**310**	**2**	**389**	**0**	**10**	**47,834**	**19**	**47,853**
South America															
Argentina	1,880	27	704	28	0	0	101	341	6	108	0	2	12,083	6	12,089
Bolivia	216	21	25	3	0	0	2	42	0	11	0	1	14,517	4	14,521
Brazil	7,679	124	2,570	162	1	0	197	559	0	247	0	3	496,603	80	496,683
Chile	989	25	238	12	0	2	17	64	9	36	0	3	55,432	32	55,464
Colombia	1,568	525	824	50	0	0	56	572	2	163	0	4	236,863	28	236,891
Ecuador	639	41	128	11	1	0	1	77	0	45	0	0	66,920	22	66,942
Guyana	26	36	7	8	0	0	0	3	0	20	0	0	8,392	0	8,392
Paraguay	173	4	15	1	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	7,329	0	7,329
Peru	455	146	155	12	0	0	21	85	7	73	0	1	55,009	50	55,059
Suriname	8	1	3	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3,071	0	3,071
Uruguay	261	7	35	5	0	0	11	14	3	12	0	0	22,306	8	22,314
Venezuela	1,888	76	940	46	0	0	77	425	1	83	0	5	106,476	20	106,496
Region Total for South America	**15,782**	**1,033**	**5,644**	**342**	**2**	**2**	**485**	**2,183**	**28**	**800**	**0**	**19**	**1,085,001**	**250**	**1,085,251**
No Nationality	**270**	**10**	**18**	**3**	**1**	**0**	**6**	**26**	**3**	**14**	**0**	**0**	**22,656**	**569**	**23,225**
United Nations Laissez Passer	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**162**	**0**	**162**
Grand Totals	**225,628**	**14,467**	**82,483**	**6,972**	**4,593**	**26**	**7,091**	**30,692**	**1,312**	**6,845**	**0**	**825**	**5,805,795**	**8,358**	**5,814,153**

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Note: See Table XVI(A) for explanation of the nonimmigrant visa symbols used in this table. Applicants bearing passports of dependent areas are reported under the nationality of the governing country.

[1] Serbia and Montenegro have proclaimed the formation of a joint independent state, but this entity has not been formally recognized by the United States.

Table XVIII
Nonimmigrant Visas Issued by Nationality
(Including Border Crossing Cards)
Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998

Nationality	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Africa										
Algeria	5,154	6,065	5,193	5,895	5,855	6,897	6,176	6,081	6,878	6,597
Angola	638	759	745	820	927	1,148	1,292	2,119	2,401	2,222
Benin	548	695	746	890	960	1,003	1,104	1,046	1,115	1,100
Botswana	547	612	757	930	844	955	828	887	850	1,238
Burkina Faso	575	670	659	647	736	789	868	1,185	1,196	1,379
Burundi	356	436	383	513	528	592	540	498	461	431
Cameroon	2,279	2,723	2,871	2,768	2,950	3,278	2,408	2,876	2,970	3,303
Cape Verde	3,879	1,480	1,632	982	1,563	2,423	2,131	2,084	4,262	2,885
Central African Republic	201	330	223	245	256	266	265	266	210	210
Chad	228	304	274	351	403	414	292	327	499	716
Comoros	70	78	89	88	88	40	74	74	51	47
Congo, Republic of the	469	705	594	788	720	725	908	1,222	611	652
Congo, Democratic Republic of the	2,731	3,045	2,894	2,649	2,330	2,700	2,970	4,124	3,175	2,804
Cote d'Ivoire	3,064	3,300	3,198	3,659	3,957	4,619	5,109	4,831	4,756	4,627
Djibouti	955	1,350	1,087	438	339	512	325	434	398	908
Egypt	30,236	31,221	30,784	30,348	32,759	33,271	33,850	37,898	40,696	41,717
Equatorial Guinea	40	80	55	82	86	93	74	162	164	160
Eritrea [1]					113	697	1,202	1,354	1,343	1,227
Ethiopia	7,985	9,332	8,996	9,322	8,000	6,026	7,841	5,979	5,297	5,912
Gabon	714	703	798	919	1,006	913	1,174	1,231	1,161	1,155
Gambia	1,927	1,452	1,623	2,113	2,117	2,018	2,790	2,055	1,586	1,646
Ghana	5,697	5,837	7,316	7,175	6,840	7,713	9,166	13,680	11,593	13,291
Guinea	1,673	2,404	2,129	2,027	2,533	2,521	3,194	3,170	3,834	5,992
Guinea-Bissau	228	185	218	193	200	222	228	288	251	185
Kenya	5,666	5,970	5,450	6,158	5,609	6,429	7,957	8,753	9,628	10,646
Lesotho	266	279	263	260	323	258	312	294	210	309
Liberia	4,176	4,000	3,353	1,663	1,651	2,349	1,866	1,332	2,056	2,892
Libya	480	470	542	454	424	499	461	450	411	370
Madagascar	463	579	511	547	693	991	759	812	796	914
Malawi	650	706	607	563	516	672	707	889	891	948
Mali	1,216	2,221	1,614	1,709	1,734	1,964	2,010	2,482	2,999	3,329
Mauritania	411	421	461	436	463	462	569	670	687	775

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Nationality	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Africa–Continued										
Mauritius	1,283	1,760	1,435	1,689	1,717	2,203	1,998	1,697	1,777	1,756
Morocco	12,455	11,269	10,337	10,809	11,748	14,221	14,059	16,713	16,443	18,965
Mozambique	366	542	434	655	564	555	629	694	743	854
Namibia	28	220	376	527	489	692	708	802	693	764
Niger	558	786	731	566	511	512	615	695	706	847
Nigeria	23,220	21,198	23,257	21,596	20,160	20,074	18,834	21,896	25,077	26,966
Rwanda	314	439	362	372	442	243	237	515	705	1,192
Sao Tome and Principe	66	54	56	64	80	41	58	73	47	102
Senegal	4,643	5,388	5,415	5,368	5,609	6,015	5,785	6,862	7,134	8,441
Seychelles	213	224	226	225	219	245	227	393	209	247
Sierra Leone	2,870	2,490	4,551	2,482	1,572	1,636	1,703	2,418	2,056	1,462
Somalia	3,936	3,997	2,019	2,044	1,706	1,011	861	586	619	783
South Africa	38,260	38,202	37,889	51,436	60,200	57,288	60,536	65,159	72,221	73,354
Sudan	4,543	3,780	3,423	3,285	3,527	3,214	3,691	3,219	3,362	3,207
Swaziland	376	472	378	337	413	359	342	416	311	289
Tanzania	2,288	2,508	2,762	2,842	2,982	2,891	2,842	2,907	3,391	3,564
Togo	764	932	917	842	856	1,108	1,395	1,270	1,063	1,228
Tunisia	3,613	3,816	3,588	4,342	4,250	4,096	4,459	5,550	7,630	8,080
Uganda	1,686	2,064	1,933	1,886	1,876	2,165	1,811	2,372	2,510	3,188
Zambia	2,813	3,256	2,150	1,812	1,892	1,877	1,868	1,986	2,045	2,261
Zimbabwe	3,613	3,866	3,810	3,517	3,159	3,849	4,015	4,273	5,032	5,934
Africa Total	**191,430**	**195,675**	**192,114**	**202,328**	**211,495**	**217,754**	**226,123**	**250,049**	**267,210**	**284,071**
Asia										
Afghanistan	1,622	1,883	2,139	2,474	2,541	2,561	2,472	2,564	2,285	2,164
Bahrain	2,106	2,284	2,138	2,665	3,222	3,944	4,005	3,831	2,948	2,694
Bangladesh	10,864	8,963	9,804	12,888	16,889	17,582	17,860	18,366	12,688	14,154
Bhutan	126	151	85	123	125	101	120	191	224	242
Brunei	520	688	555	716	585	341	346	339	397	205
Burma	2,068	2,979	1,955	2,227	2,309	2,873	3,168	3,364	3,452	4,083

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Asia–Continued										
Cambodia	162	202	394	454	833	1,099	2,020	1,838	3,050	676
China (mainland)	76,258	75,402	96,701	119,046	176,859	160,070	202,242	229,879	250,503	255,114
(Taiwan)	152,578	206,858	207,795	240,646	269,345	293,681	359,501	379,355	344,901	263,967
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region[2]									5,194	35,766
India	144,153	155,844	179,282	142,232	121,869	127,780	152,904	198,831	249,715	295,220
Indonesia	40,707	46,431	50,746	52,686	55,765	68,768	80,748	76,282	78,213	38,837
Iran	31,965	36,072	33,652	34,248	34,680	30,956	29,039	25,631	21,164	23,295
Iraq	4,930	5,323	1,328	2,534	3,173	2,972	2,785	2,462	2,467	2,378
Israel	124,288	114,001	112,003	93,155	92,281	101,215	113,687	124,010	129,580	128,338
Japan	351,947	141,091	132,696	110,571	119,102	113,655	106,050	109,045	116,093	117,712
Jordan	34,835	28,096	17,308	16,451	18,548	19,926	20,735	20,736	15,423	16,320
Korea	185,791	229,911	257,747							
Korea, North				244	244	967	1,583	1,856	1,745	1,531
Korea, South				289,005	266,854	320,747	394,044	545,867	619,011	380,645
Kuwait	8,242	3,219	10,063	15,681	17,761	17,414	18,273	16,722	13,038	16,240
Laos	2,978	3,892	1,364	1,923	872	665	663	885	1,019	1,168
Lebanon	30,200	23,061	19,805	22,898	20,676	24,322	16,064	14,183	16,144	16,265
Malaysia	42,725	40,158	38,145	41,766	42,297	47,808	58,126	67,770	67,941	37,147
Maldives	100	96	163	174	153	403	107	146	81	113
Mongolia	36	149	352	420	430	229	897	1,290	1,909	2,282
Nepal	1,794	2,055	2,296	2,622	2,615	2,632	3,288	4,755	5,709	7,008
Oman	1,772	1,780	1,741	2,172	2,278	2,617	2,937	2,848	2,442	2,760
Pakistan	45,618	53,189	47,294	46,840	43,971	45,372	50,873	39,753	48,695	44,574
Palestinian Authority Travel Document							156	2,470	3,159	3,172
Philippines	123,808	130,276	139,914	159,966	156,228	157,161	173,592	163,287	145,043	151,182
Qatar	1,700	1,699	1,966	2,248	2,797	2,889	3,033	2,558	2,784	2,866
Saudi Arabia	34,755	38,257	41,363	49,459	53,430	54,345	50,129	48,255	51,443	51,067
Singapore	36,257	36,257	35,108	39,286	37,629	42,250	55,289	61,397	63,159	50,379
Sri Lanka	8,107	8,127	7,276	8,225	8,669	8,655	9,427	9,038	8,778	10,707
Syria	15,433	13,545	11,126	13,922	11,664	12,107	10,847	10,886	9,914	10,423

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Asia–Continued										
Thailand	33,191	37,330	39,159	47,320	53,932	63,180	72,939	74,287	66,674	33,371
United Arab Emirates	3,950	4,141	4,752	6,180	8,367	9,880	10,997	12,754	10,741	11,310
Vietnam	2,088	2,469	3,431	4,331	5,199	4,984	7,295	8,456	8,539	8,963
Yemen [3]			2,334	3,960	3,154	2,624	3,843	3,403	3,419	3,287
Yemen (Aden) [3]	388	408								
Yemen (Sanaa) [3]	2,379	2,236								
Asia Total	**1,560,441**	**1,458,523**	**1,513,980**	**1,591,758**	**1,657,346**	**1,768,775**	**2,042,084**	**2,289,590**	**2,399,684**	**2,047,626**
Europe										
Albania	26	156	253	626	2,484	2,415	3,683	4,462	2,616	3,933
Andorra	231	128	190	22	29	29	40	46	21	24
Armenia [4]				140	3,040	4,503	6,658	4,534	5,397	5,673
Austria	93,546	96,411	79,490	8,210	6,906	6,948	9,130	8,793	8,203	7,832
Azerbaijan [4]				9	452	1,145	1,825	1,498	1,482	1,776
Belarus [4]				132	971	4,038	5,544	5,069	5,643	6,167
Belgium	60,785	71,744	78,232	11,534	8,007	6,499	6,531	6,657	6,236	6,730
Bosnia and Herzegovina [5]				-	529	914	1,160	2,190	2,893	3,505
Bulgaria	3,836	7,994	7,706	8,057	12,385	13,702	12,510	13,967	12,957	16,262
Croatia [5]				62	12,328	15,479	17,514	17,914	17,303	18,662
Cyprus	4,755	4,618	4,192	4,461	4,798	5,255	6,104	6,616	6,872	6,920
Czechoslovakia [6]	15,262	23,720	24,830	39,033						
Czech Republic [6]					33,112	32,183	41,155	45,021	46,676	49,031
Denmark	80,214	71,245	62,641	15,843	17,124	18,862	21,221	15,022	10,830	10,316
Estonia	1,068	937	2,056	2,447	2,687	3,213	4,244	4,569	5,214	5,206
Finland	68,612	73,886	64,006	6,895	6,285	6,324	6,538	6,738	5,585	5,977
France	270,129	97,490	96,630	49,616	36,243	34,767	36,966	42,865	37,730	39,931
Georgia [4]				19	522	2,279	2,649	3,398	3,615	5,815
German Democratic Republic [7]	5,993	13,104								
Germany [7]			182,446	136,538	78,937	64,855	77,102	76,303	72,868	72,488
Germany, Federal Republic of [7]	521,345	189,356								

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Europe–Continued										
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	543,138	347,476	295,314	222,881	203,334	200,164	218,664	221,628	243,921	175,882
Greece	48,876	48,200	44,006	46,700	47,452	49,460	48,723	47,056	45,609	41,622
Hungary	24,808	26,463	25,432	29,153	35,536	37,039	40,389	46,660	44,051	40,435
Iceland	8,366	7,815	7,763	2,816	3,103	2,834	2,800	2,972	2,111	2,485
Ireland	79,109	75,182	77,856	75,406	82,606	92,337	45,932	14,514	14,573	16,846
Italy	196,456	42,197	38,258	26,321	21,638	22,432	25,436	24,086	21,665	22,036
Kazakhstan [4]				164	2,244	4,493	5,351	5,913	3,805	4,686
Kyrgyzstan [4]				3	370	906	1,110	1,290	1,446	1,683
Latvia	1,543	844	2,255	1,069	2,424	3,360	4,143	4,816	4,848	5,399
Liechtenstein	659	517	487	47	72	83	59	75	88	82
Lithuania	1,356	1,055	3,450	3,316	3,578	5,196	6,637	7,765	6,954	6,987
Luxembourg	3,741	4,180	4,921	701	699	776	631	506	413	381
Macedonia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of [4]						905	2,982	4,786	4,482	4,961
Malta	2,490	2,812	2,450	2,979	3,394	3,473	3,813	5,115	5,184	4,885
Moldova [4]				8	381	1,010	1,698	1,900	1,586	1,815
Monaco	163	143	147	19	21	17	32	24	26	27
Netherlands	164,261	71,810	59,185	38,078	35,066	23,331	25,079	23,020	16,773	17,576
Norway	70,692	62,134	48,907	9,787	9,101	10,033	11,212	10,281	8,546	8,581
Poland	87,984	94,426	80,010	80,552	67,590	62,906	67,543	85,828	88,277	89,748
Portugal	49,886	52,724	51,342	52,514	53,839	48,127	47,539	48,134	47,711	45,619
Romania	8,889	20,105	20,878	16,638	16,873	20,570	21,969	28,984	24,744	26,193
Russia [4]				59,752	109,486	118,094	135,226	141,627	126,222	137,960
San Marino	181	214	167	16	8	20	15	27	20	20
Serbia-Montenegro [5]						17,750	17,789	18,747	19,832	16,984
Slovakia [6]					10,493	14,683	14,628	16,920	15,157	14,851
Slovenia [5]				5	5,916	7,352	9,559	9,883	10,792	1,609
Spain	150,538	171,874	187,383	40,356	28,692	25,447	26,389	23,303	19,721	19,507
Sweden	135,253	22,672	32,018	30,119	26,230	20,928	20,937	19,794	18,652	18,779
Switzerland	125,555	65,659	65,517	25,085	18,135	18,774	19,531	18,154	16,644	17,883
Tajikistan [4]				1	31	491	517	587	409	241
Turkey	25,986	32,809	35,488	31,707	34,113	34,559	35,956	42,869	52,118	57,494

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Europe–Continued										
Turkmenistan [4]				-	218	470	570	792	565	496
Ukraine [4]				3,034	21,027	24,980	29,495	32,455	23,427	25,270
U.S.S.R. [4]	59,673	101,915	123,474	66,906						
Uzbekistan [4]				7	909	1,796	2,575	3,413	3,576	3,766
Vatican City	47	43	65	67	50	51	56	79	75	77
Yugoslavia	37,765	43,998	47,397	36,986	21,209					
Europe Total	**2,953,217**	**1,948,056**	**1,856,842**	**1,186,837**	**1,092,677**	**1,098,257**	**1,155,559**	**1,179,665**	**1,145,164**	**1,099,114**
North America										
Antigua and Barbuda	7,604	5,757	4,707	7,738	3,654	2,520	2,195	2,177	3,304	3,144
Bahamas	17,890	17,523	15,928	14,618	13,874	14,914	33,270	15,796	16,168	17,782
Barbados	20,051	16,160	14,254	14,267	18,687	12,151	10,440	8,854	9,957	11,649
Belize	7,377	7,346	6,291	7,168	8,021	8,935	9,678	8,318	7,106	7,055
Canada	6,123	7,045	6,703	4,736	3,668	3,914	3,642	4,938	4,062	4,344
Costa Rica	34,983	46,940	40,949	47,817	52,348	56,826	55,624	49,632	50,732	56,032
Cuba	25,246	34,893	50,820	30,715	28,362	19,850	10,393	7,774	7,215	10,473
Dominica	4,198	3,221	2,738	2,832	2,810	1,804	1,876	1,761	2,472	3,062
Dominican Republic	62,822	50,032	46,674	47,562	62,529	82,580	85,138	72,054	58,919	61,940
El Salvador	34,632	35,987	39,783	42,426	52,406	33,573	34,696	35,349	39,112	56,644
Grenada	4,698	4,283	2,867	3,440	3,771	2,488	2,717	2,482	3,000	4,512
Guatemala	56,304	55,954	42,883	37,167	47,104	52,794	40,833	42,088	46,396	55,387
Haiti	36,997	41,470	35,153	12,646	16,970	26,125	36,916	22,488	16,355	20,551
Honduras	33,944	34,279	33,927	30,804	22,356	25,491	20,730	23,954	24,875	32,672
Jamaica	56,493	60,734	42,375	35,935	33,600	47,143	75,972	49,644	37,409	48,904
Mexico	742,808	739,167	675,261	637,162	591,836	659,843	664,049	508,431	548,716	741,501
Nicaragua	5,597	15,174	30,207	26,250	27,461	23,039	16,985	13,421	19,468	18,960
Panama	20,075	18,730	21,742	22,264	23,727	23,228	21,015	21,608	19,583	18,284
Saint Kitts and Nevis	4,696	4,306	3,097	3,021	2,713	1,633	1,631	1,496	1,586	1,742
Saint Lucia	5,577	4,789	3,685	3,864	4,513	3,056	2,850	3,395	4,801	5,746
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	4,244	3,990	3,472	3,418	3,486	3,293	3,631	2,740	2,817	3,337

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North America–Continued										
Trinidad and Tobago	34,846	30,782	23,566	22,392	25,849	51,290	60,390	48,841	43,422	43,930
North America Total	**1,227,205**	**1,238,562**	**1,147,082**	**1,058,242**	**1,049,745**	**1,156,490**	**1,194,671**	**947,241**	**967,475**	**1,227,651**
Oceania										
Australia	249,606	227,474	275,873	276,378	254,243	250,542	265,308	268,667	26,973	28,044
Fiji	4,782	4,337	3,868	5,021	7,947	7,435	6,072	4,812	4,667	4,645
Kiribati	927	1,366	1,104	884	1,264	1,158	1,080	1,092	1,001	951
Marshall Islands	1	1	12	15	7	12	8	27	40	41
Micronesia, Federated States of	1	3	9	9	7	13	2	22	6	14
Nauru	147	157	111	214	116	201	58	76	55	61
New Zealand	90,200	93,237	74,920	19,191	15,544	15,699	17,221	11,261	8,774	8,435
Pacific Islands, Trust Territory of the [10]	439	638	631	489	560	336				
Palau [10]							13	13	29	6
Papua New Guinea	551	610	518	630	730	708	829	981	873	901
Samoa	1,643	2,096	1,881	1,600	2,323	2,576	1,629	1,239	1,594	1,601
Solomon Islands	130	109	120	115	95	143	132	65	93	124
Tonga	2,296	2,109	1,987	2,761	2,131	1,815	1,987	1,831	2,072	1,982
Tuvalu	184	230	265	560	504	375	237	242	164	172
Vanuatu	54	67	61	59	76	60	82	39	68	76
Oceania Total	**350,961**	**332,434**	**361,360**	**307,926**	**285,547**	**281,073**	**294,658**	**290,367**	**46,409**	**47,053**
South America										
Argentina	71,003	94,625	140,559	177,358	158,452	168,224	152,715	111,684	11,226	12,089
Bolivia	12,564	14,239	14,530	15,624	12,923	13,640	12,349	10,676	12,746	14,521
Brazil	206,983	228,210	265,752	262,750	305,557	339,239	528,038	635,770	575,041	496,683
Chile	42,563	48,769	60,118	61,371	55,205	50,628	63,798	58,438	55,696	55,464
Colombia	96,623	101,672	109,849	121,453	135,916	136,042	132,921	133,538	176,438	236,891
Ecuador	34,817	37,702	51,825	53,875	46,722	41,577	39,791	46,110	62,287	66,942

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South America--Continued										
Guyana	7,231	7,232	7,839	7,314	6,739	8,512	11,334	13,028	9,201	8,392
Paraguay	4,260	4,956	5,872	7,082	7,379	7,301	9,202	8,307	7,400	7,329
Peru	58,108	63,425	49,742	60,109	79,098	98,015	49,433	54,510	56,017	55,059
Suriname	8,029	9,343	10,567	9,464	3,300	2,298	5,602	3,208	3,157	3,071
Uruguay	11,828	12,559	14,207	14,957	16,447	18,027	22,559	21,449	23,274	22,314
Venezuela	89,929	98,705	108,131	156,428	159,642	133,629	167,725	117,093	87,172	106,496
South America Total	**643,938**	**721,437**	**838,991**	**947,785**	**987,380**	**1,017,132**	**1,195,467**	**1,213,811**	**1,079,655**	**1,085,251**
No Nationality	63,876	64,444	67,509	73,301	75,302	71,293	73,101	67,040	46,377	23,225
UN Laissez Passer	91	94	83	260	128	179	159	107	87	162
Grand Total	**6,991,159**	**5,959,225**	**5,977,961**	**5,368,437**	**5,359,620**	**5,610,953**	**6,181,822**	**6,237,870**	**5,942,061**	**5,814,153**

Note: Nonimmigrant issuance figures do not include transferred visas. Applicants bearing passports of dependent areas are reported under the nationality of the governing country.

[1] On April 27, 1993, the United States recognized the independence of Eritrea.

[2] On December 19, 1984, the United Kingdom and China signed a joint declaration on the question of sovereignty over Hong Kong. Under that declaration, China resumed the exercise of sovereignty over Hong Kong on July 1, 1997. The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region government enjoys a high degree of political and economic autonomy.

[3] The U.S. Government has recognized the Republic of Yemen, formed on May 22, 1990, by union of the former Yemen Arab Republic and the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen.

[4] On December 25, 1991, the United States recognized the independence of Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Russia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan, the 12 republics that had constituted the U.S.S.R.

[5] On April 7, 1992, the United States recognized the independence of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, and Slovenia, three of the republics that had previously formed constituent parts of Yugoslavia.

[6] On January 1, 1993, the United States recognized the independence of the Czech Republic and Slovakia, separate states that had previously comprised Czechoslovakia.

[7] With the unification of Germany on October 3, 1990, visa statistics are consolidated for that country.

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[8] On February 8, 1994, the United States recognized the independence of The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

[9] Serbia and Montenegro have proclaimed the formation of a joint independent state, but this entity has not been formally recognized by the United States.

[10] On October 1, 1994, the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (Palau) ended its status as a United Nations Trust Territory administered by the United States and became an independent state, in free association with the United States.

Table XIX
Nonimmigrant Visas Issued by Issuing Office
(Including Transfers and Border Crossing Cards)
Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998

Issuing Office	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Africa (AF)										
Angola, Luanda [1]						662	1,294	2,491	3,202	2,648
Benin, Cotonou	405	536	571	642	620	754	736	646	739	702
Botswana, Gaborone	1,004	1,148	1,241	1,424	1,293	1,357	1,222	1,571	1,532	1,937
Burkina Faso, Ouagadougou	449	530	568	493	549	614	774	1,104	1,068	1,223
Burundi, Bujumbura	464	510	468	514	565	529	457	314	211	177
Cameroon, Yaounde	1,724	1,685	1,551	1,388	1,441	2,104	1,206	1,596	1,727	2,106
Douala [2] [3]	27	157	296	383	441					
Cape Verde, Praia	3,663	1,265	897	737	1,339	2,189	1,893	1,747	3,892	2,614
Central African Republic, Bangui [4]	255	325	200	184	222	250	252	270	111	-
Chad, NDjamena	195	262	190	304	298	317	197	199	370	600
Comoros, Moroni [3]	68	76	83	73	67					
Congo, Republic of the, Brazzaville [4]	422	697	588	686	665	749	952	1,755	295	-
Congo, Dem. Rep. of the, Kinshasa	2,524	2,445	2,442	1,707	1,258	1,800	1,989	3,232	2,079	1,723
Lubumbashi [5]	245	287	119							
Cote d'Ivoire, Abidjan	5 131	5,519	5,940	5,354	5,361	6,028	6,618	6,373	5,586	5,813
Djibouti, Djibouti	1,135	1,558	1,460	520	391	508	330	390	381	944
Equatorial Guinea, Malabo [6]	89	100	96	153	163	160	71			
Eritrea, Asmara [7]					40	724	1,122	1,098	1,059	736
Ethiopia, Addis Ababa	6,063	7,257	6,282	6,752	5,334	3,703	5,613	3,985	3,348	4,088
Gabon, Libreville	1,431	1,331	1,335	1,299	1,785	1,649	1,542	1,666	1,265	1,609
Gambia, Banjul	1,858	1,271	1,452	1,959	1,772	1,572	2,297	1,836	1,279	1,399
Ghana, Accra	4,087	3,947	5,530	5,066	4,617	5,230	6,858	11,505	9,154	10,188
Guinea, Conakry	1,460	2,013	1,843	1,510	1,903	1,802	2,508	2,362	3,764	6,103
Guinea-Bissau, Bissau	253	200	218	245	192	237	198	234	257	116
Kenya, Nairobi	6,125	6,118	5,432	6,126	5,617	6,828	8,328	8,889	9,661	9,804
Lesotho, Maseru	324	324	327	287	385	356	426	392	350	437
Liberia, Monrovia	4,863	4,195	624	1,146	1,216	2,214	1,685	879	1,874	2,804
Madagascar, Antananarivo	354	417	359	349	429	441	544	544	536	633
Malawi, Lilongwe	732	895	703	632	562	682	724	943	989	1,089
Mali, Bamako	746	1,251	1,050	1,142	1,111	1,149	1,155	1,303	1,702	2,253
Mauritania, Nouakchott	270	281	270	284	300	287	360	336	427	502
Mauritius, Port Louis	1,332	1,320	1,079	1,321	1,415	1,765	1,694	1,431	1,590	1,614

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Table XIX
Nonimmigrant Visas Issued by Issuing Office (Continued)
(Including Transfers and Border Crossing Cards)
Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998

Issuing Office	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Africa (AF)–Continued										
Mozambique, Maputo	498	660	568	772	815	851	826	715	797	872
Namibia, Windhoek [8]		154	475	612	592	797	807	879	762	827
Niger, Niamey	469	1,287	476	370	329	377	434	602	972	1,066
Nigeria, Lagos	19,770	17,162	17,769	15,564	14,777	14,624	14,297	18,294	20,923	22,453
Kaduna [9]	2,469	1,949	2,890	3,021	2,280	1,164				
Rwanda, Kigali	382	468	322	323	366	-	88	461	635	1,118
Senegal, Dakar	3,627	3,937	4,020	3,663	3,874	4,220	4,048	4,556	5,349	6,675
Seychelles, Victoria [10]	222	207	175	177	215	244	208	382		
Sierra Leone, Freetown [4]	2,483	2,040	5,261	2,043	1,009	1,104	1,041	1,824	673	-
Somalia, Mogadishu [11]	2,129	2,029	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
South Africa, Pretoria	439	436	262	402	390	449	690	756	717	585
Cape Town	7,561	7,911	7,466	10,260	13,259	13,201	13,701	14,601	16,244	16,522
Durban	5,488	5,063	5,062	7,613	9,230	8,645	8,662	10,079	10,301	9,993
Johannesburg	22,520	21,464	22,343	31,997	36,521	33,697	36,862	37,540	43,513	44,629
Sudan, Khartoum [12]	3,471	2,520	1,596	1,675	1,648	1,288	1,699	475	-	-
Swaziland, Mbabane	419	510	395	431	433	423	393	501	334	376
Tanzania, Dar Es Salaam	1,524	1,805	2,247	2,134	2,243	2,243	2,296	2,397	3,030	2,801
Togo, Lome	909	1,117	1,232	1,047	1,048	1,371	1,765	1,108	870	1,028
Uganda, Kampala	1,462	1,808	1,533	1,631	1,498	1,726	1,339	1,987	2,049	2,927
Zambia, Lusaka	3,63?	3,930	2,387	1,878	1,831	2,207	2,270	2,357	2,236	2,544
Zimbabwe, Harare	3,155	3,506	3,276	3,194	2,798	3,458	3,767	3,832	4,533	5,610
Africa Total	**130,527**	**127,883**	**122,969**	**131,487**	**136,507**	**138,749**	**148,238**	**162,437**	**172,386**	**183,888**
American Republics (ARA)										
Antigua and Barbuda, St. Johns [13]	18,776	16,333	13,683	10,794						
Argentina, Buenos Aires	69,856	93,200	139,414	174,374	154,388	163,858	150,439	111,117	13,544	14,223
Bahamas, Nassau	32,639	31,446	29,732	29,958	25,914	24,284	42,377	23,937	22,693	25,018
Barbados, Bridgetown	38,882	31,917	27,677	35,148	46,514	33,488	31,149	29,677	34,436	39,614
Belize, Belize City	9,994	9,494	8,020	8,961	9,989	10,719	10,629	9,147	7,622	7,468
Bolivia, La Paz	11,763	13,691	13,530	14,818	11,980	12,957	11,607	9,951	12,199	13,929

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Table XIX
Nonimmigrant Visas Issued by Issuing Office (Continued)
(Including Transfers and Border Crossing Cards)
Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998

Issuing Office	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
American Republics (ARA)–Continued										
Brazil, Brasilia	14,112	15,644	17,712	19,197	24,212	25,989	43,196	54,606	49,523	49,114
Porto Alegre [10]	11,027	14,085	16,217	16,704	21,326	27,332	43,693	23,440		
Recife	8,241	12,022	16,150	14,384	15,870	19,488	42,233	48,706	40,026	21,530
Rio de Janeiro	79,688	85,422	95,909	89,210	103,433	114,597	171,412	206,653	177,495	159,067
Sao Paulo	95,739	100,493	117,142	119,177	136,359	148,037	223,832	297,814	303,789	262,806
Chile, Santiago	39,827	45,510	55,541	57,566	51,687	47,997	62,031	56,926	54,450	53,978
Colombia, Bogota	81,350	84,940	89,719	98,574	114,294	120,733	127,108	128,302	171,203	231,145
Barranquilla [9]	10,741	11,895	14,886	17,033	15,519	9,590				
Costa Rica, San Jose	36,340	50,252	41,845	48,718	52,989	58,240	57,584	51,711	52,803	58,257
Cuba, Havana	24,367	34,126	50,096	29,970	27,304	18,579	8,815	6,116	5,363	8,078
Dominican Republic, Santo Domingo	62,702	50,619	46,152	46,047	60,716	81,053	83,180	70,790	57,663	60,746
Ecuador, Quito	18,763	18,170	25,097	24,224	25,567	21,443	20,356	23,814	33,738	35,420
Guayaquil	15,206	18,556	25,252	27,928	20,556	20,141	19,683	22,584	27,998	31,090
El Salvador, San Salvador	29,141	30,643	33,163	32,390	43,017	27,482	31,170	33,167	37,249	55,177
French West Indies, Martinique [5]	11,140	4,427	2,479							
Guatemala, Guatemala City	55,726	57,320	42,183	35,284	44,936	51,590	39,566	40,929	46,179	55,362
Guyana, Georgetown	5,280	5,407	5,878	5,101	4,870	6,922	9,593	11,526	7,532	6,650
Haiti, Port-au-Prince	26,511	31,956	25,594	247	5,460	17,107	31,451	17,614	10,861	14,976
Honduras, Tegucigalpa	32,851	33,015	31,805	27,713	27,200	22,070	18,365	21,472	23,700	31,347
Jamaica, Kingston	55,569	60,759	41,859	34,991	32,626	46,594	78,570	51,030	37,950	49,373
Mexico, Mexico City	295,897	252,004	221,040	235,287	207,677	248,408	254,406	203,506	218,058	244,798
Ciudad Juarez	22,064	23,547	25,958	30,590	35,176	50,381	56,822	36,661	27,057	126,142
Guadalajara	99,142	105,566	95,041	64,529	59,657	60,619	60,971	51,736	58,754	64,777
Hermosillo	49,729	53,353	41,386	50,888	48,884	51,134	47,774	37,989	40,058	48,868
Matamoros	58,560	51,353	41,658	40,504	28,979	25,526	24,038	17,457	18,550	26,969
Mazatlan [13]	22,143	28,507	32,135	9,075						
Merida	15,467	15,597	14,854	16,792	16,601	17,993	13,824	11,601	12,770	16,443
Monterrey	150,586	167,276	158,904	146,383	146,953	163,467	156,032	111,636	128,525	151,091
Nuevo Laredo [13]	8,365	9,244	10,493	3,870						
Tijuana	32,318	43,823	45,889	50,669	58,699	59,615	73,076	51,291	50,853	69,541
Netherlands Antilles, Curacao [3]	13,861	7,620	7,893	8,992	8,892					
Nicaragua, Managua	1,442	9,672	28,141	23,150	24,032	20,849	15,509	12,336	18,344	18,077

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Table XIX
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Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998

Issuing Office	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
American Republics (ARA)–Continued										
Panama, Panama City	19,930	17,482	23,505	23,244	24,672	24,477	22,949	24,357	22,152	20,577
Paraguay, Asuncion	4,804	5,703	6,515	8,260	8,587	8,133	10,179	9,118	7,714	7,720
Peru, Lima	54,741	57,704	43,600	52,851	72,202	90,327	42,848	50,140	51,455	50,488
Suriname, Paramaribo	9,037	10,197	11,116	9,560	3,387	2,503	6,171	3,747	3,527	3,351
Trinidad and Tobago, Port of Spain	34,275	30,313	22,976	22,001	25,682	51,164	60,034	48,865	43,709	44,548
Uruguay, Montevideo	11,038	11,505	13,399	13,678	15,191	16,853	21,552	20,896	22,521	21,436
Venezuela, Caracas	86,951	93,202	97,561	133,089	134,515	126,111	174,927	121,740	89,447	108,559
Maracaibo [9]	10,647	12,603	16,219	29,135	30,623	12,950				
American Republics Total	**1,897,228**	**1,967,613**	**1,985,018**	**1,991,058**	**2,027,135**	**2,160,800**	**2,399,151**	**2,164,105**	**2,041,510**	**2,307,753**
East Asia and Pacific (EAP)										
Australia, Canberra	10,091	10,084	9,936	9,729	9,550	9,223	10,110	9,899	3,023	3,149
Melbourne	86,214	101,770	91,611	91,938	83,918	81,409	84,590	82,454	8,737	8,798
Perth	15,929	17,391	14,984	15,721	15,679	18,225	19,185	18,831	3,157	2,774
Sydney	148,866	172,888	162,284	157,667	141,004	135,595	144,285	149,949	17,097	17,840
Brunei, Bandar Seri Begawan	988	1,348	1,140	1,232	1,183	1,275	1,140	1,610	1,803	1,324
Burma, Rangoon	1,387	1,998	958	1,253	1,446	1,862	2,159	2,503	2,826	3,302
Cambodia, Phnom Penh [7]					678	994	1,863	1,822	2,827	195
China, Beijing	36,916	35,251	41,639	52,286	84,514	72,733	94,145	110,084	119,453	112,766
Chengdu	1,529	1,807	2,740	3,343	7,936	5,227	8,720	11,656	10,888	12,527
Guangzhou	6,535	5,169	8,681	9,263	16,918	17,035	25,675	25,684	27,887	29,698
Shanghai	15,008	15,589	19,172	20,929	28,504	30,732	33,626	39,332	47,719	51,347
Shenyang	3,281	2,871	5,383	7,284	12,193	8,115	11,041	15,296	14,952	15,037
Fiji, Suva	13,144	7,831	7,129	9,024	7,718	7,714	6,908	5,454	5,829	6,084
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, Hong Kong	113,211	119,709	124,408	131,350	132,105	128,468	152,499	164,503	177,598	119,353
Indonesia, Jakarta	33,429	36,855	40,029	40,788	42,341	51,845	62,617	59,591	63,287	27,791
Medan [10]	1,434	1,923	1,471	1,359	1,691	2,045	2,362	2,357		
Surabaya	3,165	4,225	4,682	5,031	5,731	9,278	10,783	10,260	11,133	6,949
Japan, Tokyo	218,150	101,639	95,268	80,923	90,409	86,845	80,437	85,900	88,988	91,849

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Nonimmigrant Visas Issued by Issuing Office (Continued)
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Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998

Issuing Office	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
East Asia and Pacific (EAP)–Continued										
Fukuoka [6]	22,146	7,096	6,550	5,763	4,932	5,051	5,830			
Naha	2,669	1,491	1,369	1,251	1,198	1,048	974	1,131	1,143	1,028
Osaka-Kobe	100,983	39,900	37,303	34,434	32,650	33,055	34,370	42,377	45,935	45,734
Sapporo [6]	20,632	5,831	5,493	4,922	4,908	4,660	4,219			
Korea, Seoul	159,238	194,420	225,987	247,057	220,852	284,766	365,600	515,315	588,562	355,378
Pusan [9] [14]	1,288	8,094	8,725	18,871	24,361	13,031				
Laos, Vientiane	2,800	3,871	1,209	1,776	691	529	516	756	942	1,117
Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur	34,426	32,379	30,732	33,240	32,916	37,796	47,427	57,763	58,130	29,150
Marshall Islands, Majuro	589	301	167	278	250	329	428	1,006	1,131	966
Micronesia, Federated States of, Kolonia	198	180	246	258	411	615	719	462	199	178
Mongolia, Ulaanbaatar	19	148	348	418	381	473	833	1,204	1,808	2,156
New Zealand, Wellington [10]	38,176	40,143	30,655	9,265	5,473	5,824	6,643	1,337		
Auckland	54,904	55,164	41,562	13,241	13,999	14,183	14,402	13,384	12,237	11,811
Palau, Koror	623	816	1,007	947	936	655	234	215	199	193
Papua New Guinea, Port Moresby	2,142	2,173	1,724	1,835	1,774	1,813	1,791	1,912	1,377	1,432
Philippines, Manila	79,840	83,033	89,327	106,134	101,221	118,097	136,506	130,532	116,467	124,105
Cebu [3]	10,599	7,527	7,431	7,828	8,793					
Samoa, Apia [6] [14]	158	466	359	95	178	381	226			
Singapore, Singapore	43,332	42,940	42,148	48,342	46,517	53,244	68,101	73,674	75,056	62,584
Solomon Islands, Honiara [3]	341	306	255	254	183					
Thailand, Bangkok	32,032	36,559	38,428	46,042	52,704	62,028	71,952	72,707	65,355	33,172
Chiang Mai	1,137	1,002	880	1,245	1,389	1,840	1,564	2,352	2,052	1,398
Vietnam, Hanoi [15]							1,741	3,672	4,505	5,070
Taipei [16]	145,053	196,515	197,202	225,725	255,336	277,008	341,306	359,685	325,924	252,235
East Asia and Pacific Total	**1,462,602**	**1,398,703**	**1,400,622**	**1,448,341**	**1,495,571**	**1,585,046**	**1,857,527**	**2,076,669**	**1,908,226**	**1,438,490**
Europe and Canada (EUR)										
Albania, Tirana [17]				240	2,358	2,295	3,440	4,093	1,712	2,694
Armenia, Yerevan [7]					3,094	4,457	6,416	4,196	4,970	5,133

Table XIX
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(Including Transfers and Border Crossing Cards)
Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998

Issuing Office	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Europe and Canada (EUR)–Continued										
Austria, Vienna	89,049	91,527	75,363	12,761	9,679	9,114	11,951	11,650	11,702	11,300
Azerbaijan, Baku [7]					337	1,004	1,718	1,436	1,432	1,679
Belarus, Minsk [17]				93	688	3,519	5,261	4,634	5,103	5,561
Belgium, Brussels	46,271	52,969	57,461	14,581	11,600	10,172	10,123	10,670	10,620	10,802
Antwerp [13]	19,222	22,191	24,154	1,898						
Bermuda, Hamilton	3,244	3,006	2,856	2,446	2,424	2,870	2,714	1,814	2,573	2,024
Bosnia and Herzegovina, Sarajevo [18]										39
Bulgaria, Sofia	3,552	7,596	6,996	6,550	10,366	12,298	11,385	12,048	10,807	13,963
Canada, Ottawa	10,865	12,974	15,270	13,648	13,742	11,549	9,918	8,573	6,451	6,495
Calgary	13,312	14,899	16,417	16,722	18,332	15,741	11,989	9,283	9,068	7,303
Halifax	2,757	2,784	2,816	2,618	2,380	2,302	1,985	2,325	1,734	1,777
Montreal	41,136	42,937	44,304	47,415	48,871	42,137	30,510	25,479	20,379	14,334
Quebec	2,681	2,966	2,708	3,775	3,184	3,182	2,619	1,819	2,181	2,096
Toronto	87,791	102,753	94,192	93,597	84,346	54,844	48,107	51,635	46,008	41,709
Vancouver	22,675	29,238	30,127	41,260	33,422	37,801	37,615	39,439	35,538	29,443
Croatia, Zagreb	12,803	15,204	15,388	5,568	11,701	12,801	13,930	14,847	15,066	16,366
Cyprus, Nicosia	11,129	9,498	8,230	6,622	6,770	6,600	7,077	8,113	8,255	8,129
Czech Republic, Prague	13,763	21,938	22,134	29,412	30,185	30,228	39,585	44,859	46,101	48,982
Denmark, Copenhagen	82,645	71,810	62,661	18,060	19,492	20,940	23,744	17,319	12,600	12,029
Estonia, Tallinn [17]				2,326	3,555	3,656	4,564	4,669	5,457	5,451
Finland, Helsinki	65,238	71,527	60,875	7,135	6,223	6,567	6,792	7,060	6,223	6,522
France, Paris	186,155	70,636	72,622	50,409	45,018	43,949	45,424	54,819	48,799	49,068
Bordeaux [10]	19,904	10,653	9,842	3,921	2,856	3,045	2,913	507		
Lyon [13]	25,833	11,753	13,086	3,833						
Marseille	25,344	9,406	9,330	6,157	4,710	4,565	5,010	5,330	5,874	6,844
Georgia, Tbilisi [7]					254	1,700	2,301	3,120	3,303	5,405
German Dem. Rep., Berlin [19]	5,855	12,979								
Germany, Fed. Rep. of, Bonn	121,088	50,324	41,976	33,169	24,791	22,589	19,172	17,493	19,620	20,683
Berlin, Embassy Branch Office [19]			16,904	23,803	17,929	26,030	29,875	29,507	30,377	28,177
Berlin, U.S. Mission [19]	31,229	9,404								
Frankfurt	102,868	47,170	52,759	37,605	31,057	32,412	44,020	59,617	51,264	47,708
Hamburg [3]	102,588	54,926	47,648	36,479	24,382					

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(Including Transfers and Border Crossing Cards)
Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998

Issuing Office	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Europe and Canada (EUR)–Continued										
Munich [6]	94,579	22,468	22,049	16,767	15,647	14,825	17,629			
Stuttgart [13]	82,387	25,980	29,567	23,034						
Great Britain and Northern Ireland,										
London	459,710	269,484	234,486	149,427	136,598	149,218	141,541	125,532	116,292	119,208
Belfast	13,733	9,493	8,760	8,523	7,619	6,655	3,379	2,511	2,660	2,629
Greece, Athens	45,731	44,403	39,535	41,171	41,187	45,784	45,522	44,305	42,768	39,180
Thessaloniki [3] [17]				1,023	1,785					
Hungary, Budapest	23,113	24,294	22,948	26,637	33,281	35,473	39,114	45,667	43,335	39,818
Iceland, Reykjavik	8,175	7,597	7,606	2,836	3,166	2,871	2,833	3,023	2,152	2,482
Ireland, Dublin	59,215	57,105	59,214	58,981	66,697	75,171	37,798	12,803	13,232	15,912
Italy, Rome	46,702	11,034	11,149	11,152	9,441	10,804	12,939	12,061	9,964	9,374
Florence [4] [20]	24,779	4,522	1,972	13	6	16	2			
Genoa [21]	13,057									
Milan	61,560	10,583	11,922	12,047	10,714	11,930	12,336	13,477	13,462	15,901
Naples	21,199	3,942	5,553	4,701	4,173	4,004	4,664	3,850	2,500	3,190
Palermo [5]	11,185	1,908	988							
Kazakhstan, Almaty [7]					2,312	4,428	5,220	5,781	3,575	4,423
Kyrgyzstan, Bishkek [7]					280	835	1,089	1,272	1,403	1,633
Latvia, Riga [17]				2,584	4,938	5,876	6,719	8,055	7,467	8,207
Lithuania, Vilnius [17]				2,471	3,423	4,904	6,369	7,352	6,619	6,636
Luxembourg, Luxembourg	5,276	5,651	6,821	1,768	1,752	1,599	1,512	1,527	1,325	1,399
Macedonia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of, Skopje [22]								3,303	3,757	4,367
Malta, Valletta	2,062	2,441	2,271	2,738	3,310	3,413	4,054	5,179	5,230	4,952
Moldova, Chisinau [7]					214	1,148	1,560	1,711	1,383	1,527
Netherlands, The Hague	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Amsterdam	147,207	64,634	54,423	35,777	33,343	24,459	26,883	24,867	19,035	19,953
Norway, Oslo	70,283	61,338	48,147	10,452	9,775	10,736	11,448	10,438	8,993	9,404
Poland, Warsaw	46,867	45,538	33,800	30,079	27,759	27,447	44,566	51,108	53,699	55,887
Krakow	15,228	20,272	17,459	13,501	11,219	13,772	14,260	27,288	28,396	29,423
Poznan [9]	13,526	12,310	10,554	11,703	9,789	9,576				
Portugal, Lisbon	18,523	19,914	24,666	32,560	35,698	31,426	30,572	32,148	31,276	32,214

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Issuing Office	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Europe and Canada (EUR)–Continued										
Oporto [5]	6,829	7,192	2,272							
Ponta Delgada	7,315	6,467	3,795	3,897	4,556	4,221	4,501	4,119	4,882	4,243
Romania, Bucharest	7,419	17,686	17,608	13,213	13,145	16,319	18,101	24,656	20,751	22,322
Russia, Moscow	52,515	83,437	101,936	101,944	82,660	89,138	100,947	97,140	88,729	99,668
St. Petersburg	8,766	17,460	24,034	16,044	14,485	12,822	13,582	13,957	12,326	14,830
Vladivostok [7]					4,266	8,883	12,000	17,798	12,265	10,912
Yekaterinburg [22]								4,839	6,411	6,313
Serbia-Montenegro, Belgrade	18,278	20,199	21,019	12,695	10,530	10,401	12,179	13,164	13,254	11,978
Slovakia, Bratislava [17]				6,195	10,507	14,517	14,141	15,448	13,831	13,633
Slovenia, Ljubljana [7]					4,681	7,001	9,466	10,179	10,710	2,284
Spain, Madrid	103,932	123,252	133,683	42,492	32,174	28,698	29,686	25,767	22,217	22,247
Barcelona [13]	39,879	43,381	48,305	393						
Bilbao [21]	2,315									
Sweden, Stockholm	134,957	23,282	37,552	34,245	30,312	22,347	21,340	20,715	20,080	20,324
Switzerland, Bern	64,754	33,632	33,636	16,113	13,864	13,348	14,115	26,509	27,074	30,043
Zurich [10]	76,608	45,034	46,302	20,270	15,344	16,536	17,945	4,049		
Tajikistan, Dushanbe [1 23]						401	388	423	250	51
Turkey, Ankara	8,876	13,188	11,090	11,245	12,144	13,162	13,260	14,720	18,185	22,194
Istanbul	16,069	19,406	21,485	17,236	18,441	19,370	20,749	25,678	31,092	33,918
Izmir [21]	1,906									
Turkmenistan, Ashgabat [7]					203	270	465	959	625	525
Ukraine, Kiev [17]				2,671	19,344	23,059	26,875	28,967	19,440	21,158
Uzbekistan, Tashkent [7]					898	1,884	2,692	3,674	3,759	3,933
Europe and Canada Total	**2,983,519**	**2,031,595**	**1,962,726**	**1,321,701**	**1,235,426**	**1,227,114**	**1,244,599**	**1,252,373**	**1,167,621**	**1,180,011**
Near East (NEA)										
Algeria, Algiers	2,685	3,198	2,842	3,106	3,073	3,933	2,133	1,464	2,091	2,631
Oran [3]	586	607	177	244						
Bahrain, Manama	3,830	4,554	4,316	4,104	4,925	7,076	6,994	6,215	4,606	4,305
Egypt, Cairo	20,602	20,666	20,891	18,776	20,371	27,894	28,246	33,218	36,345	37,226

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Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998

Issuing Office	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Near East (NEA)–Continued										
Alexandria [3]	4,377	5,508	5,621	6,112	6,652					
Iraq, Baghdad [24]	2,942	3,035								
Israel, Tel Aviv	109,516	99,468	98,795	81,953	80,737	89,370	99,418	109,076	114,172	113,368
Jerusalem	15,357	14,697	12,340	11,135	12,189	13,055	15,165	16,760	17,283	16,875
Jordan, Amman	23,865	19,292	10,730	9,974	11,934	13,613	14,447	15,845	10,364	11,098
Kuwait, Kuwait	22,029	7,140	6,748	20,215	23,782	22,256	21,450	20,579	18,935	23,285
Lebanon, Beirut [25]	268	-	96	214	489	8,675	4,579	3,708	4,640	4,751
Morocco, Rabat [26]	4,281	3,403	3,287	3,298	3,621	3,082	671	908	381	
Casablanca	6,234	5,070	4,154	3,937	4,698	7,661	10,244	12,495	12,691	15,645
Oman, Muscat	2,732	2,679	2,969	3,564	3,452	3,617	3,863	4,253	3,824	4,359
Qatar, Doha	4,989	4,340	4,055	4,569	4,805	4,022	4,286	5,298	5,803	5,519
Saudi Arabia, Jeddah	21,927	23,348	24,429	26,382	28,168	28,370	27,207	23,603	25,230	24,476
Dhahran [3]	7,799	9,112	8,609	10,465	13,243					
Riyadh	20,914	24,345	26,916	28,802	30,585	40,805	38,867	37,951	38,320	40,552
Syria, Damascus	16,022	11,749	9,921	14,032	12,748	12,162	9,164	10,158	11,241	11,467
Tunisia, Tunis	2,528	2,649	2,300	2,824	2,809	2,993	3,991	5,437	7,611	7,775
United Arab Emirates, Abu Dhabi	10,148	9,794	7,455	6,587	8,649	10,171	12,535	14,167	12,974	15,086
Dubai	9,197	11,809	9,573	10,076	10,422	12,404	12,809	13,439	15,128	16,465
Yemen, Sanaa	2,119	2,081	1,662	3,239	2,513	1,831	3,099	2,524	2,503	2,158
Near East Total	**314,947**	**288,544**	**267,886**	**273,608**	**289,865**	**312,990**	**319,168**	**337,098**	**344,142**	**357,041**
South Asia (SA)										
Afghanistan, Kabul [21]	-									
Bangladesh, Dhaka	8,402	6,709	7,661	10,619	14,330	14,821	14,987	15,707	10,147	11,286
India, New Delhi	32,001	32,631	34,413	29,768	25,866	28,715	34,579	52,237	58,489	67,188
Calcutta	8,548	9,395	9,801	7,565	6,365	6,083	6,766	8,764	10,646	12,515
Chennai (Madras)	22,322	25,569	29,098	27,257	23,212	25,107	31,864	36,857	59,517	78,968
Mumbai (Bombay)	56,227	60,731	73,911	49,077	37,841	36,987	44,492	61,664	77,923	89,002
Nepal, Kathmandu	1,724	1,797	2,041	2,431	2,283	2,267	2,783	4,159	4,960	6,092
Pakistan, Islamabad	5,665	5,479	4,735	5,731	5,285	6,437	8,736	9,942	20,731	31,016

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(Including Transfers and Border Crossing Cards)
Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998

Issuing Office	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
South Asia (SA)–Continued										
Karachi [6]	21,386	28,749	23,052	23,030	21,845	21,798	14,648			
Lahore [26]	5,193	5,563	7,526	7,851	6,547	6,454	14,946	17,022	15,697	
Peshawar [13]	1,334	1,856	1,489	476						
Sri Lanka, Colombo	5,261	4,832	4,195	4,413	4,847	5,285	5,650	5,995	5,944	7,780
South Asia Total	**168,063**	**183,311**	**197,922**	**168,218**	**148,421**	**153,954**	**179,451**	**212,347**	**264,054**	**303,847**
Nonimmigrant Visas issued in the Department	34,359	36,604	40,818	34,024	36,169	32,300	33,688	31,230	39,739	37,998
Nonimmigrant Visas issued at the U.S. Mission to the United Nations [22]								1,611	4,383	5,125
Grand Total	**6,991,245**	**6,034,253**	**5,977,961**	**5,368,437**	**5,369,094**	**5,610,953**	**6,181,822**	**6,237,870**	**5,942,061**	**5,814,153**

[1] Visa services began in Fiscal Year 1994.

[2] Emergency visa services were provided in Fiscal Years 1988 through 1993.

[3] Visa services ceased in Fiscal Year 1993.

[4] Visa services were suspended in Fiscal Year 1997 and have not subsequently been resumed.

[5] Visa services ceased in Fiscal Year 1991.

[6] Visa services ceased in Fiscal Year 1995.

[7] Visa services began in Fiscal Year 1993.

[8] Visa services began in Fiscal Year 1990.

[9] Visa services ceased in Fiscal Year 1994.

[10] Visa services ceased in Fiscal Year 1996.

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Fiscal Years 1989 – 1998

[11] The U.S. Embassy in Mogadishu was evacuated on January 5, 1991. Visa services have not subsequently been resumed.

[12] Visa services at Embassy Khartoum were suspended on February 5, 1996 and have not subsequently been resumed. Khartoum's visa services are being handled through Embassy Cairo.

[13] Visa services ceased in Fiscal Year 1992.

[14] Visa services began in Fiscal Year 1989.

[15] Visa services began in Fiscal Year 1995.

[16] The Taipei office of the American Institute in Taiwan, although an unofficial instrumentality, has been authorized to process visa applications for residents of Taiwan.

[17] Visa services began in Fiscal Year 1992.

[18] Visa services began in Fiscal Year 1998.

[19] With the unification of Germany on October 3, 1990, visa services in Berlin were consolidated at the Embassy Branch Office, Berlin.

[20] Visa services ceased at Florence in Fiscal Year 1991 for all applicants except residents of San Marino.

[21] Visa services ceased in Fiscal Year 1989.

[22] Visa services began in Fiscal Year 1996.

[23] Visa services ceased in Fiscal Year 1998.

[24] Visa services ceased in Fiscal Year 1990.

[25] Regular visa services have been suspended since Fiscal Year 1985.

[26] Visa services ceased in Fiscal Year 1997.

Table XX
Immigrant and Nonimmigrant Visa Ineligibilities
(by Grounds for Refusal Under the Immigration and Nationality Act)
Fiscal Year 1998

Grounds for Refusal Under the Immigration and Nationality Act		Immigrant		Nonimmigrant	
		Ineligibility Finding [1]	Ineligibility Overcome [2]	Ineligibility Finding [1]	Ineligibility Overcome [2]
Section					
212(a)(1)(A)(i)	Communicable Disease	633	119	105	7
212(a)(1)(A)(ii)	Immigrant Lacking Required Vaccinations	10	6	[3]	[3]
212(a)(1)(A)(iii)	Physical or Mental Disorder	78	37	39	1
212(a)(1)(A)(iv)	Drug Abuser or Addict	466	75	60	7
212(a)(2)(A)(i)(I)	Crime Involving Moral Turpitude	458	173	2,257	672
212(a)(2)(A)(i)(II)	Controlled Substance Violators	143	26	1,230	448
212(a)(2)(B)	Multiple Criminal Convictions	106	13	94	13
212(a)(2)(C)	Controlled Substance Traffickers	107	1	1,031	52
212(a)(2)(D)(i)	Prostitution (Within 10 Years)	16	7	28	3
212(a)(2)(D)(ii)	Procuring (Within 10 Years)	4	2	11	2
212(a)(2)(D)(iii)	Unlawful Commercialized Vice	-	-	1	1
212(a)(2)(E)	Certain Aliens Involved In Serious Criminal Activity Who Have Asserted Immunity From Prosecution	-	1	-	-
212(a)(3)(A)(i)	Espionage, Sabotage, Technology Transfer	3	-	44	1
212(a)(3)(A)(ii)	Other Unlawful Activity	2	-	269	2
212(a)(3)(A)(iii)	Activity to Overthrow U.S. Government	-	-	1	-
212(a)(3)(B)	Terrorist Activities	2	-	63	25
212(a)(3)(C)	Foreign Policy	-	-	4	-
212(a)(3)(D)	Immigrant Membership in Totalitarian Party	31	4	[3]	[3]
212(a)(3)(E)(i)	Participation In Nazi Persecutions	1	-	2	-
212(a)(3)(E)(ii)	Participation in Genocide	1	-	-	-
212(a)(4)	Public Charge	78,395	21,868	7,528	192
212(a)(5)(A)	Labor Certification	5,046	224	[3]	[3]
212(a)(5)(B)	Unqualified Physicians	2	-	[3]	[3]
212(a)(5)(C)	Uncertified Foreign Health-Care Workers	6	-	-	-
212(a)(6)(B)	Failure to Attend Removal Proceedings	30	27	21	-
212(a)(6)(C)(i)	Misrepresentation	2,922	507	15,463	249
212(a)(6)(C)(ii)	False Claim to U.S. Citizenship	82	13	2,053	-
212(a)(6)(E)	Smugglers of Aliens	297	19	1,779	19
212(a)(6)(F)	Subject of Civil Penalty (Under INA 274C)	3	-	1	-
212(a)(6)(G)	Student Visa Abusers	2	-	28	2
212(a)(7)(B)	Nonimmigrant Documentation Requirement	[4]	[4]	860	756
212(a)(8)(A)	Ineligible for Citizenship: In General	1	-	[3]	[3]
212(a)(8)(B)	Draft Evaders	1	-	9	3
212(a)(9)(A)(i)	Ordered Removed Upon Arrival	165	38	370	2
212(a)(9)(A)(i)	Ordered Removed Upon Arrival – Multiple Removals	67	5	35	-
212(a)(9)(A)(i)	Ordered Removed Upon Arrival – Convicted of Aggravated Felony	-	-	7	-
212(a)(9)(A)(ii)	Ordered Removed or Departed While Removal Order Outstanding	138	38	96	3

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Grounds for Refusal Under the Immigration and Nationality Act		Immigrant		Nonimmigrant	
		Ineligibility Finding [1]	Ineligibility Overcome [2]	Ineligibility Finding [1]	Ineligibility Overcome [2]
Section					
212(a)(9)(A)(ii)	Ordered Removed or Departed While Removal Order Outstanding – Multiple Removals	28	4	19	-
212(a)(9)(A)(ii)	Ordered Removed or Departed While Removal Order Outstanding – Convicted of Aggravated Felony	14	3	27	-
212(a)(9)(B)(i)(I)	Unlawfully Present 181–364 Days (Within 3 Years)	410	26	603	11
212(a)(9)(B)(i)(II)	Unlawfully Present 365 or More Days (Within 10 Years)	162	2	220	7
212(a)(9)(C)	Unlawfully Present After Previous Immigration Violations	1	3	-	-
212(a)(10)(A)	Practicing Polygamists	12	4	[3]	[3]
212(a)(10)(C)	International Child Abduction	1	1	5	-
212(a)(10)(D)	Unlawful Voters	1	1	1	-
212(a)(10)(E)	Former U.S. Citizens Who Renounced Citizenship to Avoid Taxation	-	-	-	-
212(e)	Foreign Residence Requirement: Former Exchange Visitor	54	44	40	4
212(f)	Presidential Proclamation Suspending the Entry of Any Class of Aliens	1	-	47	6
214(b)	Failure to Establish Entitlement to Nonimmigrant Status	[4]	[4]	1,204,338	38,875
221(g)	Applications Do Not Comply With the Provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act or Regulations Issued Pursuant Thereto	256,706	143,037	318,422	133,036
222(g)	Alien in Illegal Status Required to Apply for New Nonimmigrant Visa in Country of Nationality	[4]	[4]	299	14
	Total Grounds of Ineligibility:	**346,608**	**166,328**	**1,557,510**	**174,413**
	Number of Applications: [1]	**317,700**	**152,038**	**1,545,157**	**172,291**

The figures at the end of this table show totals of **applications** refused and refusals overcome. The total of applications refused does not necessarily reflect the number of persons refused during the year. One applicant can apply and be found ineligible more than one time in a fiscal year.

At some posts with automated visa systems, the data base does not reflect complete nonimmigrant visa refusals **overcome** statistics. Therefore, the nonimmigrant visa refusals **overcome** figures may be somewhat understated.

[1] The total grounds of ineligibility may exceed the number of applications refused because one applicant may be found ineligible under more than one section of the Immigration and Nationality Act.

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[2] The total ineligibilities overcome may not necessarily represent the same visa applicants found ineligible and recorded in the total of ineligibility findings. A visa may be refused in one fiscal year and the refusal overcome in a subsequent fiscal year. Each action will be separately recorded as part of the appropriate statistical report for the year in which it occurred. A refusal can be overcome by evidence that the ineligibility does not apply, by approval of a waiver, or by other relief as provided by law.

[3] N/A - Not applicable because the cited ground of ineligibility does not apply to nonimmigrants.

[4] N/A - Not applicable because the cited ground of ineligibility does not apply to immigrants.

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Appendix A–1

Provisions of the Law and Numerical Limitations on Immigrant Visas

Some form of numerical limitation has been imposed on immigration into the United States since 1921, although certain classes of immigrants have traditionally been able to obtain visas outside those limitations. The Immigration Act of 1990 (P.L. 101–649) modified this concept by establishing an overall limit within which immediate relatives (IR's) and certain special immigrants would continue exempt from the requirement of an available visa number, but the IR total would be deducted from the overall ceiling for the calculation of the family-sponsored preference ceiling during the following year. Outlined below are the basic elements of the system applicable at present; unless otherwise stated, the section of law cited refers to the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA), as amended.

I. Classes not subject to the numerical limitations

A. Immediate Relatives

(1) Spouse and children of U.S. citizens and parents of citizens at least 21 years of age (Sec. 201(b)(2)(A)(i)).

(2) Certain surviving spouses of deceased U.S. citizens, and their children (Sec. 201(b)(2)(A)(i)).

B. Special Immigrants

(1) Returning residents (Secs. 101(a)(27)(A) and 201(b)(1)(A)).

(2) Certain former U.S. citizens (Secs. 101(a)(27)(E) and 201(b)(1)(A)).

C. Others

(1) Child born abroad subsequent to issuance of immediate relative visa to parent (Secs. 211(a) and 201(b)(2)(A)(ii)).

(2) Child born to a lawful permanent resident temporarily abroad (Secs. 211(a) and 201(b)(2)(B)).

(3) Vietnam Amerasians, a category created by Sec. 584 of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 1988 (as contained in Sec. 101(e) of P.L. 100–202, as amended) for Vietnam Amerasians and their immediate family members. Initially time-limited to March 1990, the provision was made permanent by P.L. 101–513.

II. Numerically limited classes

A. Numerical Limits under Secs. 201, 202, and 203

As a selective mechanism to enable distribution of the numbers to the immigrants desired, a preference system commingling certain classes of relatives and needed workers has long existed. The Immigration Act of 1990 divided such preference classes into two broad categories: family-sponsored immigrants and employment-based immigrants, with a separate numerical limitation for each category.

(1) Worldwide Limits

(a) Family-Sponsored Preference Limitation:

The overall ceiling for relatives is 480,000, from which the previous year's total of immediate relatives and other family classes which are exempt from the numerical ceiling (see I.A. and I.C.(1) and (2) above) are deducted to determine the level of family-based preference immigration. Although the difference could be greater or less than 226,000, that figure is established as a minimum for the family-sponsored preference immigrant limitation.

Specifically, if such family-related numerically-exempt immigrants are fewer than 254,000, the family-sponsored preferences will be entitled to more than 226,000 in the following fiscal year. On the other hand, if such family-related numerically-exempt immigrants exceed 254,000, the family-sponsored preferences are still provided at least 226,000 numbers by virtue of the minimum annual limit assured by Sec. 201(c).

(b) Employment-Based Preference Limitation:

The overall ceiling for this category is 140,000. The term "employment-based" is broadly interpreted to encompass most non-family immigration, whether or not the immigrant is actually destined to employment in the United States.

(c) **Carry-Over of Unused Numbers:**
Certain preference immigrant numbers which are unused during a fiscal year are added to the worldwide levels of family-sponsored and employment-based preference immigrants for the following fiscal year (Sec. 201(c) and Sec. 201(d)). Unused family numbers from the previous fiscal year are added to the employment preference limit and vice versa.

(2) **Per-Country Limits**
In addition to the overall limits, the INA contains a per-country ceiling to preclude preemption of the annual numbers by one or more foreign states of heavy emigration. Under the formula in Sec. 202(a), the per-country limit is 7% of the combined visa total available to family-sponsored and employment-based preference immigrants, i.e., at least 25,620. The dependent area limit is set at 2%, or a minimum of 7,320.

For the permanent diversity classification which became effective in FY–1995, there is a separate 7% per-country visa limit. (See II.B.(3) below.)

B. **Preference classes as set forth in Sec. 203**
Class limitations are expressed in absolute numbers for the family-sponsored immigrants and in percentages of the annual limitation for the employment-based category specified in Sec. 201.

(1) **Family-sponsored:**
(a) **First preference:** Unmarried sons and/or daughters (i.e., offspring aged 21 or older) of U.S. citizens: not more than 23,400, plus any numbers unused by the fourth preference (Sec. 203(a)(1)).
(b) **Second preference:** (A) Spouses and children of lawful permanent residents, and (B) unmarried sons and/or daughters of lawful permanent residents: not more than 114,200, plus the number (if any) by which the worldwide family preference level exceeds 226,000, plus any numbers not required for the first preference; of which 77% are designated for sub-category (A) (Sec. 203(a)(2)).

Sec. 202(a)(4)(A) provides that of the visa numbers made available for sub-category (A), 75% are to be issued without regard to the per-country limit, i.e., to applicants with the earliest priority date regardless of their country of chargeability.
(c) **Third preference:** Married sons and daughters of U.S. citizens: not more than 23,400, plus any numbers not required by the first and second preferences (Sec. 203(a)(3)).
(d) **Fourth preference:** Siblings of U.S. citizens who are at least 21 years of age: not more than 65,000, plus any numbers not required by the first three classes (Sec. 203(a)(4)).

(2) **Employment-based:**
(a) **First preference:** Priority workers (persons with extraordinary ability, outstanding professors and researchers, and certain multinational executives and managers): not more than 28.6% of the employment-based total, plus any visa numbers not required by the fourth and fifth preferences (Sec. 203(b)(1)).
(b) **Second preference:** Members of the professions with advanced degrees and persons of exceptional ability: not more than 28.6%, plus any numbers unused by the first preference (Sec. 203(b)(2)).
(c) **Third preference:** Skilled workers, professionals (without advanced degrees), and other (i.e., unskilled) workers: not more than 28.6%, plus any numbers unused by the first two preferences, of which not more than 10,000 numbers are available for unskilled workers (Sec. 203(b)(3)).
(d) **Fourth preference:** Special immigrants (other than returning residents and certain former U.S. citizens – see I.B. above): not more than 7.1%, of which not more than 5,000 numbers may be allocated for certain religious workers. There is no "fall-down" of numbers from higher classes into this class; the limit is absolute. The class includes ministers of religion, certain employees/retirees of the U.S. Government abroad, Panama Canal and/or Zone employees, certain doctors, certain international organizations-related aliens, aliens dependent on a juvenile court, and certain members of the U.S. Armed Forces recruited abroad. There is also a time-limited inclusion of certain religious workers other than ministers. (Secs. 101(a)(27)(C) through (Y) and Sec. 203(b)(4).)

Under the terms of the Armed Forces Immigration Adjustment Act of 1991 (P.L. 102–110 enacted October 1, 1991), immigrant visas made available to the special immigrant class for certain Armed Forces members under Sec. 101(a)(27)(K) are not counted against the numerical limitation in the year involved. In the succeeding fiscal year, the Employment Preference limits for the First, Second, and Third Preferences are each reduced by one-third the number of such visas made available, and the per-

country level under Sec. 202(a) is reduced by the number of such visas made available to natives of a foreign state. (Sec. 203(b)(6).)

(e) **Fifth preference:** Employment creators, i.e., aliens whose investments will create employment for at least 10 U.S. citizens and/or lawful permanent residents: not more than 7.1%, of which not less than 3,000 are reserved for investors in a targeted rural or high-unemployment area; there is no "fall-down" of numbers from the higher classes (Sec. 203(b)(5)). Sec. 610 of the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1993 (P.L. 102-395 enacted October 6, 1992), as amended by Sec. 116 of the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1998 (P.L. 105-119 enacted November 26, 1997) modifies INA 203(b)(5) by creating a 7-year pilot program that sets aside up to 3,000 immigrant visas annually for aliens investing in certain qualifying regional centers in the United States.

(3) **Diversity immigrants:**
This classification became effective as of FY-1995. It is designed to provide immigration opportunities for aliens from foreign states from which immigration levels are low relative to the level from other countries. The annual limitation is 55,000. Applicants for each year's visas are selected at random from the entrants in an annual visa lottery (Sec. 203(c) and Sec. 204(a)(1)(G)).

III. Related Provisions

A. The applicability of the labor certification requirement (Sec. 212(a)(5)(A)) for immigrants is explicitly restricted to aliens in the employment-based second and third preferences. The Attorney General is authorized to waive the job offer requirement in certain second preference cases, however; the labor certification is also waived, by regulation, in those cases as a matter of practicality.

B. A spouse or child accompanying or following to join a preference immigrant (whether family-sponsored or employment-based) is entitled to the same classification and priority date as the principal alien if not otherwise entitled to an immigrant classification and the immediate issuance of a visa. The spouse or child of a diversity immigrant is entitled to a similar derivative visa status during the year for which the principal is selected in the visa lottery. (Sec. 203(d).)

C. The Marriage Fraud Amendments of 1986 (P.L. 89-639, November 10, 1986) established a conditional immigration status for aliens whose entitlement to an immigrant classification derived from a marriage entered into less than 2 years prior to admission. This provision affects not only the spouse of such marriage but also any sons or daughters. The conditionality may be removed only by approval of a petition filed during the 90-day period prior to the second anniversary of acquiring conditional status. (Sec. 216.)

D. An alien may adjust status from nonimmigrant to lawful permanent resident, subject to certain conditions, through the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS). Unless the adjustment is in a numerically-exempt category, it is charged against all appropriate limitations. (Sec. 245.)

Appendix A–2

Various Determinations of Numerical Limits on Immigrants Required Under the Terms of the Immigration and Nationality Act

Determination of the Family Preference Numerical Limit for FY–1998

Terms of the Immigration and Nationality Act:

INA 201(c) specifies that the worldwide level of family-sponsored preference immigrants for a fiscal year is equal to:

480,000,
minus the number of immigrants described in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of INA 201(b)(2) who, in the previous fiscal year, were issued immigrant visas or who otherwise acquired lawful permanent resident status,[1]
plus employment preference immigrant numbers that were unused during the previous fiscal year.

Under INA 201, however, the family-sponsored preference limitation for any fiscal year may not be less than 226,000.

Immediate Relative Immigrant Totals for FY–1997:

Immigrant visa workload reports received by the Department of State from consular posts worldwide show that during FY–1997 a total of 178,774 immediate relative (IR) visas were issued. This total is subject to a net reduction of 63, however, to take account of issued visas returned unused to consular offices and thus "recaptured" under INA 206.

Figures on adjustments of status at local offices of the Immigration and Naturalization Service compiled and provided by INS Headquarters indicate that a total of 156,282 immigrants were granted lawful permanent residence at INS offices in the United States during FY–1997 in the categories for spouses, children, and parents of U.S. citizens; this figure includes persons who acquired permanent residence after having been admitted in nonimmigrant "K" (fiancé(e)) status. Another 27 children accompanying immediate relative parents were admitted under INA 211(a).

INS admission figures record 1,364 children accorded permanent resident status after birth abroad to a permanent resident of the United States.

Employment Preference Number Use for FY–1997:

The employment-based preference limit for FY–1997 was 140,000. A total of 99,201 of these numbers were used for FY–1997 visa issuances or INS adjustments of status and, as required by INA 203(b)(6), an additional 90 were applied to special immigrants who were issued visas or adjusted status during FY–1996 under INA 101(a)(27)(K) [certain U.S. armed forces personnel]. Another 7 were charged for children admitted under INA 211(a) accompanying parents with employment preference visas. There were also 8 employment preference visas returned unused to consular offices; the numbers assigned to these issuances were thus "recaptured" under INA 206. Total unused numbers: 140,000 – (99,201 + 7) – 90 + 8 = 40,710.

Calculation of FY–1998 Family-Sponsored Preference Limitation:

Immediate relative visa issuances during FY–1997:	178,774
(minus net total of "recaptured" FY–1997 IR visas:	– 63)
Immediate relative adjustments of status by INS:	+156,282
Children admitted after birth to immediate relative visa holders:	+ 27
Children admitted after birth abroad to lawful permanent residents:	+ 1,364
Immediate Relative etc. Total:	336,384
FY–1998 Worldwide Family-Sponsored Level figure:	480,000
minus IR etc. total calculated above:	–336,384
plus unused FY–1997 employment pref. numbers:	+ 40,710
Total	184,326

Since under the law the family-sponsored preference limitation for any fiscal year may not be less than 226,000, the limit for FY-1998 is fixed at: **226,000**

Determination of the Employment Preference Numerical Limit for FY-1998

Terms of the Immigration and Nationality Act:

INA 201(d) specifies that the worldwide level of employment-based preference immigrants for a fiscal year is equal to:

140,000
plus family preference immigrant numbers that were unused during the previous fiscal year.

Family Preference Number Use for FY-1997:

The family-sponsored preference limit for FY-1997 was 226,000. A total of 226,008 numbers were used for visa issuances or INS adjustments of status. Another 22 were charged for children admitted under INA 211(a) accompanying parents with family preference visas. There were also 30 family preference visas returned unused to consular offices; the numbers assigned to these issuances were thus "recaptured" under INA 206 and could be reallocated. Total unused numbers: 226,000 - (226,008 + 22) + 30 = 0.

Calculation of FY-1998 Employment-Based Preference Limitation:

Worldwide Employment-Based Level figure:	140,000
plus unused FY-1997 family preference numbers:	+ 0
Total:	140,000

For FY-1998, the employment-based preference limit is fixed at: **140,000**

(In accordance with INA 203(b)(6), the 71 special immigrants who were issued visas or adjusted status during FY-1997 under INA 101(a)(27)(K) [certain U.S. armed forces personnel] will be charged against the FY-1998 employment preference limit; each of the first and second preferences will be reduced by 24, and the third preference will be reduced by 23.)

Determination of Per-Country Limitations for FY-1998

Terms of the Immigration and Nationality Act:

INA 202(a) specifies that the per-country level of family plus employment preference immigrants in any fiscal year may not exceed:

For a foreign state: 7% of the total number of family and employment visas for that fiscal year: and
For a dependent area: 2% of the total number of family and employment visas for that fiscal year.

Calculation of FY-1998 Per-Country Limits:

Worldwide Family-Sponsored FY-1998 limit:	226,000
Worldwide Employment-Based FY-1998 limit:	+140,000
Total:	366,000
Foreign state limit for FY-1998 (7% of 366,000):	**25,620**
Dependent area limit for FY-1998 (2% of 366,000):	**7,320**

In accordance with Section 2(d) of the Chinese Student Protection Act of 1992 (P.L. 102-404), the CHINA—mainland born limit for FY-1998 is reduced by 1,000 to 24,620, to compensate for earlier issuances under that legislation. [See also Appendix A-3.]

Under the terms of INA 203(b)(6), FY-1998 per-country limits must be reduced to compensate for the special immigrants who were issued visas or adjusted status during FY-1997 under INA 101(a)(27)(K) [certain U.S. armed forces personnel]. The following FY-1998 per-country limits will be reduced by the amount specified to compensate for such immigrants: Australia 1; Ireland 1; Japan 11; and Philippines 58. Since the Philippines chargeability is subject to the prorating provisions of INA 202(e), the reduction in that per-country limit will be accomplished under the law as follows: The employment first preference will be reduced by 20, and each of the second and third preferences will be reduced by 19.

[1] The immigrants described in these subparagraphs are 1) immediate relatives, i.e., spouses, children and parents of U.S. citizens, 2) children admitted under INA 211(a) on the basis of prior issuance of an immigrant visa to their accompanying parent who is such immediate relative, and 3) children born to a lawful permanent resident during a temporary visit abroad.

Appendix A–3

Offset in the Per-Country Numerical Level for China–Mainland Born Immigrant Visas (Per Section 2(d) of P.L. 102–404)

The Chinese Student Protection Act of 1992 (CSPA) (P.L. 102–404 enacted October 9, 1992) provides a basis for certain People's Republic of China nationals already living in the United States to obtain permanent residence through application to INS. Beneficiaries of this legislation are accorded status within the skilled worker component of the Employment Third preference and are subject to the worldwide Employment Preference annual limit. They are exempted from the INA 202 per-country limit, however. The CSPA requires that beginning with Fiscal Year 1993, the CHINA—mainland born per-country limit must be reduced by 1,000 numbers annually to compensate for cases processed under this legislation.

Employment Third preference immigrant numbers provided to beneficiaries of the CSPA, outside the CHINA—mainland born per-country annual limit:

FY–1993	41,684
FY–1994	8,953
FY–1995	3,536
FY–1996	139
FY–1997	57
FY–1998	3
Total	**54,372**

Unused CHINA—mainland born immigrant numbers under the per-country limit for FY–1998:

FY–1998 Per-country limit	Minus reduction per Sec. 2(d)(1) of P.L. 102–404	Minus numbers used	Plus numbers "recaptured" under INA 206	UNUSED numbers
25,620	1,000	24,623	3	0

Offset to the per-country numerical level:

	Reduction of the CHINA—mainland born annual limit	Unused numbers from the CHINA—mainland born annual limit	Offset
FY–1993	1,000	576	1,576
FY–1994	1,000	0	1,000
FY–1995	1,000	4,329	5,329
FY–1996	1,000	3,059	4,059
FY–1997	1,000	4	1,004
FY–1998	1,000	0	1,000
Total	**6,000**	**7,968**	**13,968**

Numbers remaining for future offset:

As of the end of	Numbers used for CSPA beneficiaries	Total offset for year	Remaining to be offset
FY-1993	41,684	1,576	40,108
FY-1994	8,953	1,000	48,061
FY-1995	3,536	5,329	46,268
FY-1996	139	4,059	42,348
FY-1997	57	1,004	41,401
FY-1998	3	1,000	40,404

Appendix B

Immigrant and Nonimmigrant Visa Symbols

The following symbols were used during Fiscal Year 1998 in issuing visas to immigrants and nonimmigrants proceeding to the United States. Unless otherwise stated, the section of law cited refers to the Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended.

Visa Symbol	Class	Section of Law
	Immigrants	
	Immediate Relatives	
IR–1	Spouse of U.S. citizen	201(b)
IR–2	Child of U.S. citizen	201(b)
IR–3	Orphan adopted abroad by U.S. citizen	201(b)
IR–4	Orphan to be adopted in the United States by U.S. citizen	201(b)
IR–5	Parent of U.S. citizen at least 21 years of age	201(b)
CR–1	Spouse of U.S. citizen (conditional status)	201(b) & 216
CR–2	Child of U.S. citizen (conditional status)	201(b) & 216
IW–1	Certain spouses of deceased U.S. citizens	201(b)
IW–2	Child of IW–1	201(b)
IB–1	Self-petition spouse of U.S. citizen	204(a)(1)(A)(iii)
IB–2	Self-petition child of U.S. citizen	204(a)(1)(A)(iv)
IB–3	Child of IB–1	204(a)(1)(A)(iii)
VI–5	Parent of U.S. citizen who acquired permanent resident status under the Virgin Islands Nonimmigrant Alien Adjustment Act	201(b) & Sec. 2 of the Virgin Islands Nonimmigrant Alien Adjustment Act (P.L. 97–271)
	Vietnam Amerasian Immigrants	
AM–1	Vietnam Amerasian principal	584(b)(1)(A), (B) and (C) of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 1988 (as contained in Sec. 101(e) of P.L. 100–202), as amended
AM–2	Spouse/Child of AM–1	
AM–3	Natural mother of AM–1 (and spouse or child of such mother), or person who has acted in effect as the mother, father, or next-of-kin of AM–1 (and spouse or child of such person)	
	Special Immigrants	
SB–1	Returning resident	101(a)(27)(A)
SC–1	Certain persons who lost U.S. citizenship by marriage	101(a)(27)(B) & 324(a)
SC–2	Certain persons who lost U.S. citizenship by serving in foreign armed forces	101(a)(27)(B) & 327
	Family-Sponsored Immigrants	
First Preference		
F11	Unmarried son or daughter of U.S. citizen	203(a)(1)
F12	Child of F11	203(d)
B11	Self-petition unmarried son or daughter of U.S. citizen	204(a)(1)(A)(iv) & 203(a)(1)
B12	Child of B11	203(d)

Visa Symbol	Class	Section of Law
Second Preference (Subject to Country Limitations)		
F21	Spouse of permanent resident	203(a)(2)(A)
F22	Child of permanent resident	203(a)(2)(A)
F23	Child of F21 or F22	203(d)
F24	Unmarried son/daughter of permanent resident	203(a)(2)(B)
F25	Child of F24	203(d)
C21	Spouse of permanent resident (conditional status)	203(a)(2)(A) & 216
C22	Child of permanent resident (conditional status)	203(a)(2)(A) & 216
C23	Child of C21 or C22 (conditional status)	203(d) & 216
C24	Unmarried son/daughter of permanent resident (conditional status)	203(a)(2)(B) & 216
C25	Child of C24 (conditional status)	203(d) & 216
B21	Self-petition spouse of permanent resident	204(a)(1)(B)(ii)
B22	Self-petition child of permanent resident	204(a)(1)(B)(iii)
B23	Child of B21 or B22	204(a)(1)(B)(ii) & 203(d)
B24	Self-petition unmarried son/daughter of permanent resident	204(a)(1)(B)(iii)
B25	Child of B24	203(d)
Second Preference (Exempt from Country Limitations)		
FX1	Spouse of permanent resident	202(a)(4)(A) & 203(a)(2)(A)
FX2	Child of permanent resident	202(a)(4)(A) & 203(a)(2)(A)
FX3	Child of FX1 or FX2	202(a)(4)(A) & 203(d)
CX1	Spouse of permanent resident (conditional status)	202(a)(4)(A), 203(a)(2)(A), & 216
CX2	Child of permanent resident (conditional status)	202(a)(4)(A), 203(a)(2)(A), & 216
CX3	Child of CX1 or CX2 (conditional status)	202(a)(4)(A), 203(d), & 216
BX1	Self-petition spouse of permanent resident	204(a)(1)(B)(ii)
BX2	Self-petition child of permanent resident	204(a)(1)(B)(iii)
BX3	Child of BX1 or BX2	204(a)(1)(B)(ii) & 203(d)
Third Preference		
F31	Married son or daughter of U.S. citizen	203(a)(3)
F32	Spouse of F31	203(d)
F33	Child of F31	203(d)
C31	Married son or daughter of U.S. citizen (conditional status)	203(a)(3) & 216
C32	Spouse of C31 (conditional status)	203(d) & 216
C33	Child of C31 (conditional status)	203(d) & 216
B31	Self-petition married son or daughter of U.S. citizen	204(a)(1)(A)(iv) & 203(a)(3)
B32	Spouse of B31	203(d)
B33	Child of B31	203(d)
Fourth Preference		
F41	Brother or sister of U.S. citizen who is at least 21 years of age	203(a)(4)
F42	Spouse of F41	203(d)
F43	Child of F41	203(d)

Visa Symbol	Class	Section of Law
	Employment-Based Immigrants	
First Preference (Priority Workers)		
E11	Person with extraordinary ability in the sciences, arts, education, business, or athletics	203(b)(1)(A)
E12	Outstanding professor or researcher	203(b)(1)(B)
E13	Multinational executive or manager	203(b)(1)(C)
E14	Spouse of E11, E12, or E13	203(d)
E15	Child of E11, E12, or E13	203(d)
Second Preference (Professionals Holding Advanced Degrees or Persons of Exceptional Ability)		
E21	Professional holding advanced degree or person of exceptional ability in the sciences, arts, or business	203(b)(2)
E22	Spouse of E21	203(d)
E23	Child of E21	203(d)
Third Preference (Skilled Workers, Professionals, and Other Workers)		
E31	Skilled worker	203(b)(3)(A)(i)
E32	Professional holding baccalaureate degree	203(b)(3)(A)(ii)
E34	Spouse of E31 or E32	203(d)
E35	Child of E31 or E32	203(d)
EW3	Other workers (subgroup numerical limit)	203(b)(3)(A)(iii)
EW4	Spouse of EW3	203(d)
EW5	Child of EW3	203(d)
Fourth Preference (Certain Special Immigrants)		
SD-1	Minister of religion	101(a)(27)(C)(ii)(I) & 203(b)(4)
SD-2	Spouse of SD-1	101(a)(27)(C) & 203(b)(4)
SD-3	Child of SD-1	101(a)(27)(C) & 203(b)(4)
SE-1	Certain employees or former employees of the U.S. Government abroad	101(a)(27)(D) & 203(b)(4)
SE-2	Spouse of SE-1	101(a)(27)(D) & 203(b)(4)
SE-3	Child of SE-1	101(a)(27)(D) & 203(b)(4)
SF-1	Certain former employees of the Panama Canal Company or Canal Zone Government	101(a)(27)(E) & 203(b)(4)
SF-2	Spouse or child of SF-1	101(a)(27)(E) & 203(b)(4)
SG-1	Certain former employees of the U.S. Government in the Panama Canal Zone	101(a)(27)(F) & 203(b)(4)
SG-2	Spouse or child of SG-1	101(a)(27)(F) & 203(b)(4)
SH-1	Certain former employees of the Panama Canal Company or Canal Zone Government on April 1, 1979	101(a)(27)(G) & 203(b)(4)
SH-2	Spouse or child of SH-1	101(a)(27)(G) & 203(b)(4)
SJ-2	Spouse or child of SJ-1 (certain foreign medical graduates)	101(a)(27)(H) & 203(b)(4)
SK-1	Certain retired international organization employees	101(a)(27)(I)(iii) & 203(b)(4)
SK-2	Spouse of SK-1	101(a)(27)(I)(iv) & 203(b)(4)
SK-3	Certain unmarried sons or daughters of international organization employees	101(a)(27)(I)(i) & 203(b)(4)
SK-4	Certain surviving spouses of deceased international organization employees	101(a)(27)(I)(ii) & 203(b)(4)
SL-1	Certain juvenile court dependents	101(a)(27)(J) & 203(b)(4)
SM-1	Person recruited outside the United States who has served, or is enlisted to serve, in the U.S. Armed Forces for 12 years (became eligible after October 1, 1991)	101(a)(27)(K) & Sec. 2 of P.L. 102-110

Visa Symbol	Class	Section of Law
SM–2	Spouse of SM–1	101(a)(27)(K) & Sec. 2 of P.L. 102–110
SM–3	Child of SM–1	101(a)(27)(K) & Sec. 2 of P.L. 102–110
SM–4	Person recruited outside the United States who has served, or is enlisted to serve, in the U.S. Armed Forces for 12 years (eligible as of October 1, 1991)	101(a)(27)(K) & Sec. 2 of P.L. 102–110
SM–5	Spouse or child of SM–4	101(a)(27)(K) & Sec. 2 of P.L. 102–110
SR–1	Certain religious workers (subgroup numerical limit)	101(a)(27)(C)(ii)(II) & (III) & 203(b)(4)
SR–2	Spouse of SR–1	101(a)(27)(C) & 203(b)(4)
SR–3	Child of SR–1	101(a)(27)(C) & 203(b)(4)
Fifth Preference (Employment Creation) (Conditional Status)		
C51	Employment creation outside targeted area	203(b)(5)(A)
C52	Spouse of C51	203(d)
C53	Child of C51	203(d)
T51	Employment creation in targeted rural/high unemployment area (subgroup numerical set-aside)	203(b)(5)(B)
T52	Spouse of T51	203(d)
T53	Child of T51	203(d)
R51	Regional investor pilot program, not in targeted area	203(b)(5) & Sec. 610 of the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1993 (P.L. 102–395), as amended
R52	Spouse of R51	
R53	Child of R51	
I51	Regional investor pilot program, targeted area	
I52	Spouse of I51	
I53	Child of I51	
Other Numerically Limited Categories		
Diversity Immigrants		
DV–1	Diversity immigrant	203(c)
DV–2	Spouse of DV–1	203(d)
DV–3	Child of DV–1	203(d)

Visa Symbol	Class	Section of Law
	Nonimmigrants	
A–1	Ambassador, public minister, career diplomat or consular officer, and immediate family	101(a)(15)(A)(i)
A–2	Other foreign government official or employee, and immediate family	101(a)(15)(A)(ii)
A–3	Attendant, servant, or personal employee of A–1 or A–2, and immediate family	101(a)(15)(A)(iii)
B–1	Temporary visitor for business	101(a)(15)(B)
B–2	Temporary visitor for pleasure	101(a)(15)(B)
B–1/B–2	Temporary visitor for business and pleasure	101(a)(15)(B)
C–1	Person in transit	101(a)(15)(C)
C–2	Person in transit to United Nations Headquarters district under Section 11 (3), (4), or (5) of the Headquarters Agreement	101(a)(15)(C)
C–3	Foreign government official, immediate family, attendant, servant or personal employee, in transit	212(d)(8)
D	Crewmember (sea or air)	101(a)(15)(D)
E–1	Treaty trader, spouse and children	101(a)(15)(E)(i)
E–2	Treaty investor, spouse and children	101(a)(15)(E)(ii)
F–1	Student (academic or language training program)	101(a)(15)(F)(i)
F–2	Spouse or child of academic/language student	101(a)(15)(F)(ii)
G–1	Principal resident representative of recognized foreign member government to international organization, staff, and immediate family	101(a)(15)(G)(i)
G–2	Other representative of recognized foreign member government to international organization, and immediate family	101(a)(15)(G)(ii)
G–3	Representative of nonrecognized or nonmember foreign government to international organization, and immediate family	101(a)(15)(G)(iii)
G–4	International organization officer or employee, and immediate family	101(a)(15)(G)(iv)
G–5	Attendant, servant, or personal employee of G–1 through G–4, and immediate family	101(a)(15)(G)(v)
H–1A	Temporary worker performing services as a registered nurse	101(a)(15)(H)(i)(a)
H–1B	Temporary worker of distinguished merit and ability performing services other than as a registered nurse	101(a)(15)(H)(i)(b)
H–2A	Temporary worker performing agricultural services unavailable in the United States	101(a)(15)(H)(ii)(a)
H–2B	Temporary worker performing other services unavailable in the United States	101(a)(15)(H)(ii)(b)
H–3	Trainee	101(a)(15)(H)(iii)
H–4	Spouse or child of H–1A/B, H–2A/B, or H–3	101(a)(15)(H)
I	Representative of foreign information media, spouse and children	101(a)(15)(I)
J–1	Exchange visitor	101(a)(15)(J)
J–2	Spouse or child of exchange visitor	101(a)(15)(J)
K–1	Fiance(e) of U.S. citizen	101(a)(15)(K)
K–2	Child of fiance(e) of U.S. citizen	101(a)(15)(K)
L–1	Intracompany transferee (executive, managerial, and specialized personnel continuing employment with international firm or corporation)	101(a)(15)(L)
L–2	Spouse or child of intracompany transferee	101(a)(15)(L)
M–1	Vocational student or other nonacademic student	101(a)(15)(M)(i)
M–2	Spouse or child of vocational/nonacademic student	101(a)(15)(M)(ii)
N–8	Parent of SK–3 special immigrant	101(a)(15)(N)(i)
N–9	Child of N–8 or of SK–1, SK–2 or SK–4 special immigrant	101(a)(15)(N)(ii)
NATO–1	Principal permanent representative of member state to NATO (including any of its subsidiary bodies) resident in the U.S. and resident members of official staff; Secretary General, Assistant Secretaries General, and Executive Secretary of NATO; other permanent NATO officials of similar rank, and members of immediate family	Art. 12, 5 UST 1094; Art. 20, 5 UST 1098

Visa Symbol	Class	Section of Law
NATO–2	Other representatives of member states to NATO (including any of its subsidiary bodies) including representatives, advisers, and technical experts of delegations, and members of immediate family; dependents of members of a force entering in accordance with the provisions of the NATO Status-of-Forces Agreement or in accordance with provisions of the "Protocol on the Status of International Military Headquarters"; members of such a force if issued visas	Art. 13, 5 UST 1094; Art. 1, 4 UST 1794; Art. 3, 4 UST 1796
NATO–3	Official clerical staff accompanying a representative of member state to NATO (including any of its subsidiary bodies), and members of immediate family	Art. 14, 5 UST 1096
NATO–4	Officials of NATO (other than those classifiable as NATO–1), and members of immediate family	Art. 18, 5 UST 1098
NATO–5	Experts, other than officials classifiable as NATO–4, employed in missions on behalf of NATO, and their dependents	Art. 21, 5 UST 1100
NATO–6	Members of a civilian component accompanying a force entering in accordance with the provisions of the NATO Status-of-Forces Agreement; members of a civilian component attached to or employed by an Allied Headquarters under the "Protocol on the Status of International Military Headquarters" set up pursuant to the North Atlantic Treaty; and their dependents	Art. 1, 4 UST 1794; Art. 3, 5 UST 877
NATO–7	Attendant, servant, or personal employee of NATO–1 through NATO–6 classes, and immediate family	Arts. 12–20, 5 UST 1094–1098
O–1	Person with extraordinary ability in the sciences, arts, education, business, or athletics	101(a)(15)(O)(i)
O–2	Person accompanying and assisting in the artistic or athletic performance by O–1	101(a)(15)(O)(ii)
O–3	Spouse or child of O–1 or O–2	101(a)(15)(O)(iii)
P–1	Internationally recognized athlete or member of an internationally recognized entertainment group	101(a)(15)(P)(i) & 214(c)(4)(A) & (B)
P–2	Artist or entertainer in a reciprocal exchange program	101(a)(15)(P)(ii)
P–3	Artist or entertainer in a culturally unique program	101(a)(15)(P)(iii)
P–4	Spouse or child of P–1, P–2, or P–3	101(a)(15)(P)(iv)
Q–1	Participant in an international cultural exchange program	101(a)(15)(Q)
R–1	Person in a religious occupation	101(a)(15)(R)
R–2	Spouse or child of R–1	101(a)(15)(R)
S–5	Informant possessing information on criminal activity	101(a)(15)(S)(i)
S–6	Informant possessing information on terrorism	101(a)(15)(S)(ii)
S–7	Spouse, married or unmarried son or daughter, or parent of S–5 or S–6	101(a)(15)(S)
TN	NAFTA professional	214(e)
TD	Spouse or child of TN	214(e)

Appendix C

Immigrant Visa Waiting List in the Family-Sponsored and Employment-Based Preferences as of January 1997

The Department of State periodically asks consular offices at which immigrant visa cases are registered (as well as the National Visa Center) to report the totals of applicants on the waiting list in the various numerically-limited immigrant categories. Applications for adjustment of status under INA 245 which are pending at offices of the Immigration and Naturalization Service are not included in the tabulation of the immigrant waiting list. Ordinarily such reports are submitted annually in January. However, consular posts were not asked to submit a report of waiting list totals in January 1998.

The figures below have been compiled from the reports submitted to the Department for the January 1997 count and show the number of immigrant visa applicants on the waiting list in the various preferences and subcategories subject to numerical limit. Provided for comparison are totals prepared following the previous tabulation in January 1995. All figures reflect persons registered under each respective numerical limitation, i.e., the totals represent not only principal applicants or petition beneficiaries, but their spouses and children entitled to derivative status under INA 203(d) as well.

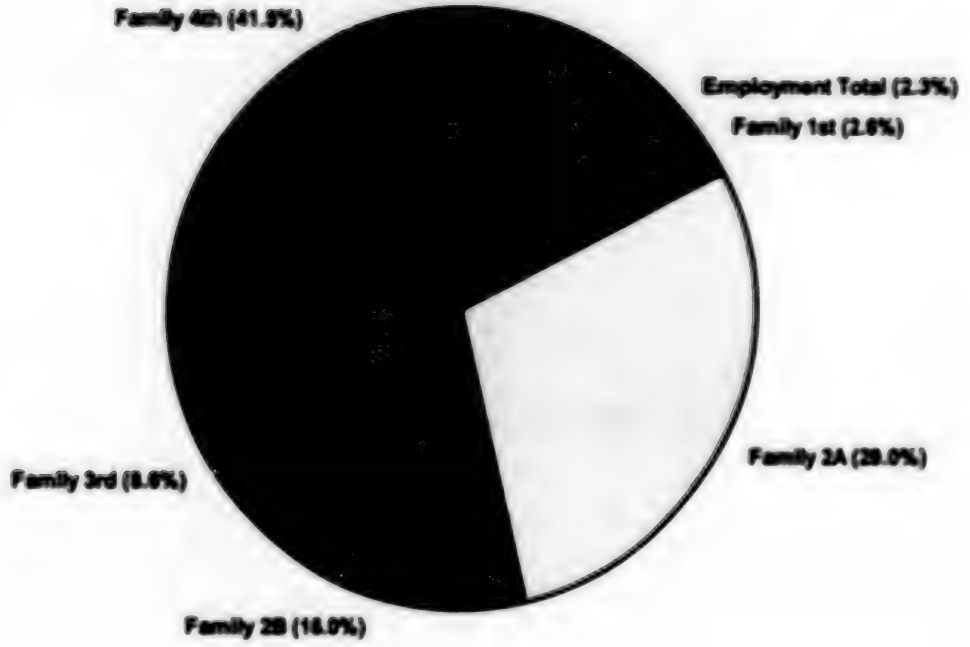
Immigrant Waiting List

Category	January 1997 Totals (and % of total registrants)		January 1995 Totals	Increase/Decrease From 1995 Totals (and % of change)	
Family Preferences					
FAMILY FIRST	93,376	(2.6%)	69,540	+ 23,836	(+ 34.3%)
FAMILY SECOND					
2A–Spouses/Children:	1,052,270	(29.0%)	1,138,544	– 86,274	(– 7.6%)
2B–Adult Sons/Daughters:	578,351	(16.0%)	494,064	+ 84,287	(+ 17.1%)
Preference Total	1,630,621	(45.0%)	1,632,608	– 1,987	(– 0.1%)
FAMILY THIRD	312,200	(8.6%)	260,414	+ 51,786	(+ 19.9%)
FAMILY FOURTH	1,502,233	(41.5%)	1,592,424	– 90,191	(– 5.7%)
FAMILY TOTAL	**3,538,430**	**(97.7%)**	**3,554,986**	**– 16,556**	**(– 0.5%)**
Employment Preferences					
EMPLOYMENT FIRST	11,405	(0.3%)	9,361	+ 2,044	(+ 21.8%)
EMPLOYMENT SECOND	9,527	(0.2%)	9,097	+ 430	(+ 4.7%)
EMPLOYMENT THIRD					
Skilled Workers/Baccalaureate Degree Holders:	35,030	(1.0%)	32,560	+ 2,470	(+ 7.6%)
Other (i.e., Unskilled) Workers:	21,834	(0.6%)	78,946	– 57,112	(– 72.3%)
Preference Total	56,864	(1.6%)	111,506	– 54,642	(– 49.0%)
EMPLOYMENT FOURTH	6,171*	(0.2%)	7,393*	– 1,222	(– 16.5%)
EMPLOYMENT FIFTH	500**	(minimal)	163**	+ 337	(+207.0%)
EMPLOYMENT TOTAL	**84,467**	**(2.3%)**	**137,520**	**– 53,053**	**(– 38.6%)**
GRAND TOTAL	**3,622,897**	**(100.0%)**	**3,692,506**	**– 69,609**	**(– 1.9%)**

*of which, certain religious workers in the classes established under the Immigration Act of 1990: 1997: 3,405; 1995: 3,331

**of which, investors in targeted employment areas: 1997: 359; 1995: 79

Immigrant Waiting List
By Visa Category
January 1997

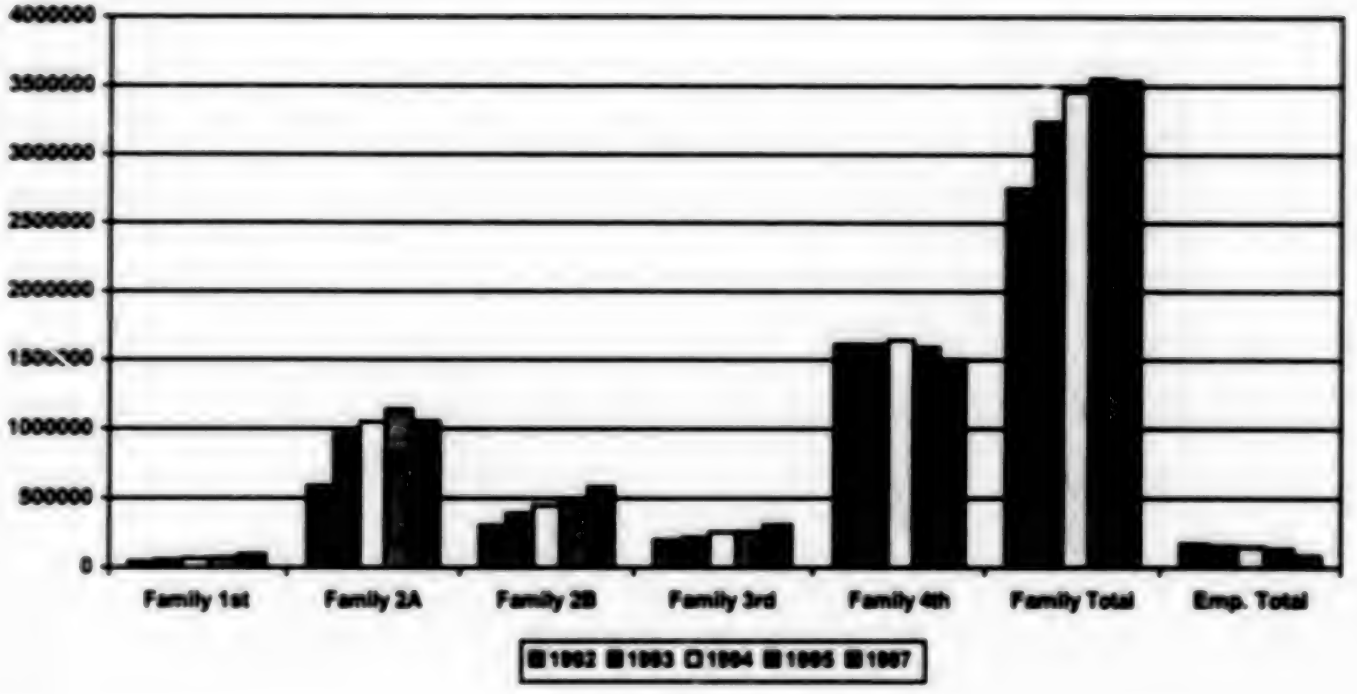


Since the 1995 count, the family-sponsored preference total decreased slightly (about 16,000, or 0.5%), with the declines concentrated in the 2A component of second preference and in the fourth preference. The second preference remained the largest component of the family-sponsored waiting list. The employment-sponsored preferences as a group showed a decrease, due to a very substantial drop in "Other (i.e., Unskilled) Worker" cases.

Immigrant visa issuances during Fiscal Year 1997 were limited by the terms of INA 201 to 226,000 in the family-sponsored preferences and to 140,000 in the employment-based preferences.

It should by no means be assumed that once an applicant is registered, the case is then continually included in the waiting list totals unless and until a visa is issued. The consular procedures mandate a regular culling of visa cases to remove from the count those unlikely to see further action, so that totals are not unreasonably inflated. If, for example, a consular post receives no response within 1 year from an applicant to whom the visa application instruction letter (i.e., the consular "Packet 3" letter) is sent when the movement of the visa availability cut-off date indicates a visa may become available within a reasonable time frame, the case is considered "inactive" under the consular procedures and is no longer included in waiting list totals.

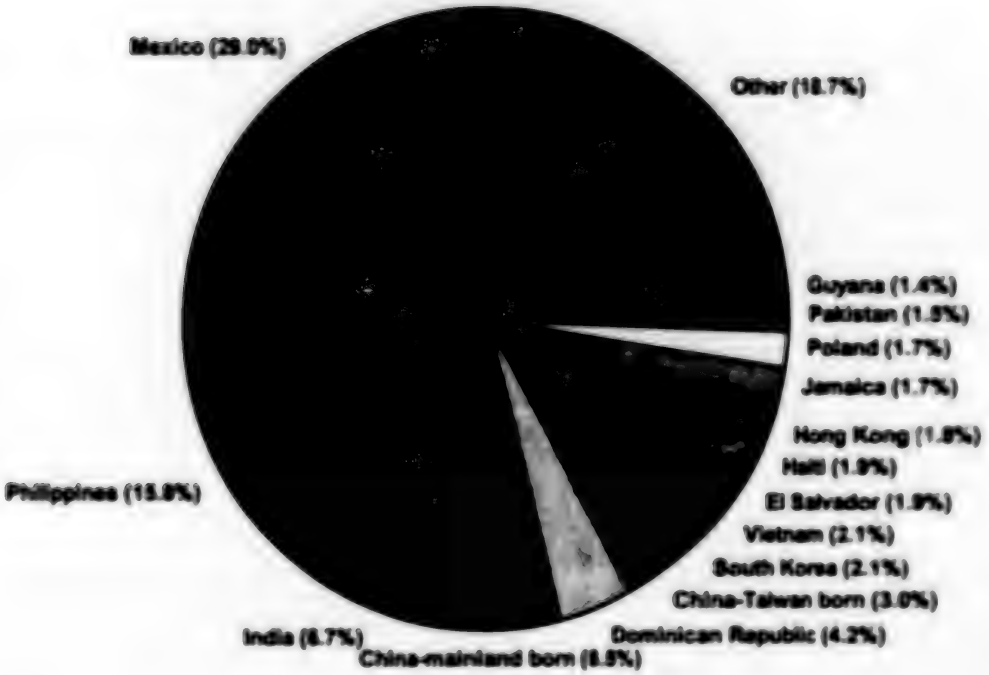
Immigrant Waiting List
By Category



The 15 countries/areas with the highest number of waiting list registrants are listed below; together these represent just over 81% of the total. This list includes all countries with at least 40,000 persons on the waiting list. The same 15 were also at the top of the 1995 listing, although the country order was different.

	1997 Total	1995 Total
Mexico	1,050,823	1,039,706
Philippines	573,414	564,207
India	243,159	254,333
China—mainland born	235,176	207,489
Dominican Republic	150,596	111,118
China—Taiwan born	108,625	103,925
South Korea	77,203	96,754
Vietnam	75,568	167,051
El Salvador	69,809	88,108
Haiti	69,221	71,808
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region	66,734	63,191
Jamaica	60,575	64,024
Poland	59,533	44,874
Pakistan	55,239	59,101
Guyana	49,022	47,731
All Others	678,200	709,086
Worldwide Total	**3,622,897**	**3,692,506**

Immigrant Waiting List
By Country
January 1997



A breakdown of the worldwide waiting list by region is:

	Family Preferences (% of Family Total)		Employment Preferences (% of Employment Total)		Total (% of Total Waiting List)	
Africa	68,745	(1.9%)	3,608	(4.3%)	72,353	(2.0%)
Asia	1,602,761	(45.3%)	43,204	(51.1%)	1,645,965	(45.4%)
Europe	133,219	(3.8%)	11,005	(13.0%)	144,224	(4.0%)
North America*	1,566,452	(44.3%)	18,966	(22.5%)	1,585,418	(43.8%)
Oceania	14,338	(0.4%)	476	(0.6%)	14,814	(0.4%)
South America	152,915	(4.3%)	7,208	(8.5%)	160,123	(4.4%)
Total	**3,538,430**	**(100.0%)**	**84,467**	**(100.0%)**	**3,622,897**	**(100.0%)**

*North America includes Canada, Mexico, Central America and the Caribbean.

Family-Sponsored Preferences

Family FIRST Preference

The worldwide Family FIRST preference numerical limitation is 23,400. Waiting list details were:

Country/Area	Family First Preference Total	Percent of Category Waiting List
Philippines	57,658	61.7%
Mexico	9,685	10.4%
Jamaica	2,859	3.1%
Dominican Republic	2,773	3.0%
Other Countries	20,401	21.8%
Total	**93,376**	**100.0%**

Family SECOND Preference

The total Family SECOND preference waiting list figure was 1,630,621. Of these, 1,052,270 (64.5%) were spouses and children of permanent residents of the United States (the 2A class), and 578,351 (35.5%) were adult unmarried sons/daughters of permanent residents (the 2B class). The Family SECOND preference represented 46% of the total Family preference waiting list.

The worldwide Family SECOND preference limit for FY–1997 was 114,200 plus unused FIRST preference numbers; 77% of SECOND preference numbers are provided to "2A" applicants, while the remaining 23% go to the "2B" class.

2A: About 88,000 visa numbers were available to this applicant class during FY–1997. The countries with the highest 2A waiting list totals were:

Country/Area	Family 2A Preference Total	Percent of Category Waiting List
Mexico	716,379	68.1%
Dominican Republic	53,562	5.1%
Haiti	30,827	2.9%
El Salvador	27,768	2.6%
Philippines	23,866	2.3%
China—mainland born	22,783	2.2%
India	13,222	1.2%
Jamaica	12,213	1.2%
Guatemala	11,679	1.1%
Poland	10,156	1.0%
Other Countries	129,815	12.3%
Total	**1,052,270**	**100.0%**

2B: Visa numbers for this class of adult sons and daughters totalled about 26,000 during FY–1997. Applicant totals were:

Country/Area	Family 2B Preference Total	Percent of Category Waiting List
Mexico	140,939	24.4%
Dominican Republic	71,149	12.3%
Philippines	46,381	8.0%
China—mainland born	27,164	4.7%
Haiti	26,644	4.6%
El Salvador	22,124	3.8%
Jamaica	21,808	3.8%
India	18,331	3.2%
Guyana	16,828	2.9%
Vietnam	10,952	1.9%
China—Taiwan born	10,308	1.8%
Other Countries	165,723	28.6%
Total	**578,351**	**100.0%**

Family THIRD Preference

The annual visa limit is 23,400. Countries with highest registrations were:

Country/Area	Family Third Preference Total	Percent of Category Waiting List
Philippines	158,619	50.8%
Mexico	37,763	12.1%
Poland	21,780	7.0%
China—mainland born	11,531	3.7%
India	10,766	3.4%
Other Countries	71,741	23.0%
Total	**312,200**	**100.0%**

Family FOURTH Preference

Applicants registered in the Family FOURTH preference totalled 1,502,233. Annual visa issuances are limited to 65,000. Because of the demand so much in excess of available visas, the waiting period was longer than in any other category. The following countries had the largest number of FOURTH preference applicants:

Country/Area	Family Fourth Preference Total	Percent of Category Waiting List
Philippines	272,149	18.1%
India	195,410	13.0%
China—mainland born	165,178	11.0%
Mexico	142,043	9.4%
China—Taiwan born	90,068	6.0%
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region	55,091	3.7%
South Korea	54,967	3.7%
Vietnam	48,210	3.2%
Pakistan	38,968	2.6%
Other Countries	440,149	29.3%
Total	**1,502,233**	**100.0%**

Employment-Based Preferences

It is important to note that most Employment preference immigrants are adjustment of status cases at INS offices. Cases pending with INS are **not** counted in the consular waiting list tally. Thus, in several Employment preference categories the waiting list understates actual immigrant demand.

Employment FIRST Preference

As of January 1997, registrations in this category were 11,405 against a FY–1997 limit of 40,040 (28.6% of 140,000), plus any unused numbers from the Employment FOURTH and FIFTH preferences (which fall "up" to FIRST). The top countries were:

Country/Area	Employment First Preference Total	Percent of Category Waiting List
Canada	1,838	16.1%
China—mainland born	1,620	14.2%
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1,234	10.8%
India	547	4.8%
China—Taiwan born	527	4.6%
Other Countries	5,639	49.5%
Total	**11,405**	**100.0%**

Employment SECOND Preference

The FY–1997 visa limit was 40,040 plus unused numbers from the FIRST preference. There were three countries with more than 1,000 applicants registered in the SECOND preference category:

Country/Area	Employment Second Preference Total	Percent of Category Waiting List
Philippines	2,130	22.4%
India	1,650	17.3%
Canada	1,003	10.5%
Other Countries	4,744	49.8%
Total	**9,527**	**100.0%**

Employment THIRD Preference

The preference was entitled to 28.6% of the 140,000 FY–1997 Employment numbers, i.e., 40,040, plus the unused numbers from the category above. INA 203(b)(3)(B) specifies that no more than 10,000 of these numbers may be provided to applicants in the "Other (i.e., Unskilled) Worker" subcategory, however.

The Employment THIRD preference waiting list components for "Skilled Workers" (i.e., at least 2 years of training or experience required for labor certification) and "Professionals with Baccalaureate Degree" totalled 35,030 (just over 60% of all registrations in the preference). Countries with the highest number of such applicants were:

Country/Area	Employment Third Preference: Skilled Worker/ Professional Components	Percent of Waiting List in These Classes
Philippines	9,763	27.9%
China—mainland born	4,549	13.0%
South Korea	2,036	5.8%
India	1,937	5.5%
Mexico	1,670	4.8%
Poland	1,216	3.5%
El Salvador	919	2.6%
China—Taiwan born	733	2.1%
Canada	705	2.0%
Other Countries	11,502	32.8%
Total	**35,030**	**100.0%**

Other Workers: Applicants within this segment of the Employment THIRD preference amounted to 21,834. This was nearly 40% of the THIRD preference total. As noted above, the annual limit set by law for issuances to this component of THIRD preference is 10,000. Countries with the most registrations were:

Country/Area	Employment Third Preference: Other Worker Component	Percent of Waiting List in This Class
El Salvador	2,586	11.9%
Philippines	2,197	10.1%
South Korea	2,104	9.6%
Mexico	1,795	8.2%
Trinidad and Tobago	1,401	6.4%
China—mainland born	923	4.2%
Bolivia	808	3.7%
Guyana	766	3.5%
Guatemala	705	3.2%
Other Countries	8,549	39.2%
Total	**21,834**	**100.0%**

Employment FOURTH Preference

The worldwide FY–1997 visa limit (7.1% of 140,000) was 9,940 in this preference. Only 6,171 applicants were counted in the January 1997 waiting list tally, 3,405 of whom were in the classes for "certain religious workers" established under INA 101(a)(27)(C)(ii)(II) and (III). The two chargeabilities with the greatest number of registrants (South Korea: 888; and Philippines: 480) together represented 22% of the waiting list. Any unused FOURTH preference numbers fall up to Employment FIRST preference.

Employment FIFTH Preference

The FY–1997 limit was 9,940. There were 500 applicants registered on the visa waiting list, 359 of whom were investors in "targeted areas." The four chargeabilities with the greatest number of registrants (China—Taiwan born: 164; China—mainland born: 109; South Korea: 96; and Hong Kong Special Administrative Region: 41) together represented 82% of the waiting list. Any unused numbers from this annual limit fall up to Employment FIRST preference.

Active Immigrant Visa Applicants (Part I)
Registered at Consular Offices Abroad
as of January 1997

	Family Preferences						Employment Preferences				
FSC Name	1st	2A	2B	3rd	4th	Family Preference Total	1st	2nd	3rd	3rd Other Workers	3rd Total
Afghanistan	26	678	888	424	2,694	4,710	0	14	23	5	28
Albania	60	344	73	1,701	231	2,409	0	2	0	0	0
Algeria	2	107	93	5	213	420	6	31	16	2	18
Andorra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Angola	2	33	101	5	41	182	1	0	5	7	12
Antigua and Barbuda	85	192	822	125	1,431	2,655	0	0	2	32	34
Argentina	85	721	629	305	2,081	3,821	84	61	165	157	322
Armenia	8	225	76	84	252	645	46	9	120	7	127
Australia	27	90	123	66	156	462	154	29	103	7	110
Christmas Island	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cocos Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Austria	6	35	37	24	89	191	60	5	15	2	17
Azerbaijan	3	54	37	14	40	148	16	3	16	6	22
Bahamas	79	862	601	123	439	2,104	4	9	49	8	57
Bahrain	1	23	16	4	94	138	1	1	1	1	2
Bangladesh	91	5,555	2,808	612	20,644	29,710	25	51	206	73	279
Barbados	177	436	966	239	1,967	3,785	11	1	15	192	207
Belarus	4	135	26	47	77	289	17	4	15	3	18
Belgium	11	42	61	15	83	212	74	9	27	11	38
Belize	205	832	1,564	305	1,660	4,566	1	1	22	128	150
Benin	1	16	2	0	8	27	0	1	0	2	2
Bhutan	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Bolivia	82	1,694	817	142	2,233	4,968	27	42	371	808	1,179
Bosnia and Herzegovina	6	37	31	41	146	261	4	13	5	5	10
Botswana	0	1	4	0	4	9	0	0	0	0	0
Brazil	81	1,774	912	302	1,522	4,591	251	18	347	242	589
Brunei	0	2	8	0	112	122	0	0	1	0	1
Bulgaria	13	167	120	59	379	738	52	15	61	9	70
Burkina Faso	0	0	1	0	11	12	0	0	0	0	0
Burma	21	286	1,445	518	6,927	9,197	6	14	11	23	34
Burundi	0	5	0	0	5	10	0	0	1	0	1
Cambodia	70	472	796	537	5,049	6,924	1	0	19	1	20
Cameroon	11	192	108	0	135	446	2	16	29	21	50
Canada	1,001	1,316	1,848	3,355	3,796	11,316	1,838	1,003	705	70	775
Cape Verde	28	1,030	2,003	121	1,316	4,498	0	0	0	20	20
Central African Republic	0	4	0	0	3	7	0	0	0	0	0
Chad	0	1	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	0
Chile	47	538	668	224	2,361	3,838	23	8	62	83	145
China–mainland born	480	22,783	27,164	11,531	165,178	227,136	1,620	787	4,549	923	5,472
–Taiwan born	326	2,781	10,308	3,118	90,068	106,601	527	265	733	247	980
Colombia	835	6,489	9,278	1,903	11,008	29,513	54	27	320	327	647
Comoros	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Congo, Republic of the	1	7	0	0	9	17	0	0	1	1	2
Congo, Dem. Rep. of the	0	74	59	7	125	265	8	0	2	2	4
Costa Rica	34	600	506	156	1,296	2,592	11	0	52	43	95
Cote d'Ivoire	3	88	33	1	92	217	2	0	3	6	9
Croatia	10	76	43	98	547	774	12	8	13	15	28
Cuba	920	5,764	7,638	6,727	11,860	32,909	7	0	6	0	6
Cyprus	1	20	38	15	425	499	1	8	8	3	11
Czech Republic	14	120	71	68	486	759	20	14	24	5	29

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Afghanistan	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	46	4,756
Albania	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2,411
Algeria	5	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	61	481
Andorra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Angola	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	195
Antigua and Barbuda	3	3	6	0	0	0	0	0	40	2,695
Argentina	30	11	41	0	0	0	0	0	508	4,329
Armenia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	182	827
Australia	3	6	9	0	0	0	0	0	302	764
Christmas Island	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cocos Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Austria	4	3	7	0	0	0	0	0	89	280
Azerbaijan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	41	189
Bahamas	12	12	24	0	0	0	0	0	94	2,198
Bahrain	2	0	2	0	1	0	0	1	7	145
Bangladesh	34	18	52	0	0	0	0	0	407	30,117
Barbados	9	5	14	0	0	0	0	0	233	4,018
Belarus	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	42	331
Belgium	5	4	9	0	0	0	0	0	130	342
Belize	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	156	4,722
Benin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	30
Bhutan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Bolivia	17	16	33	0	0	0	0	0	1,281	6,249
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	28	289
Botswana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
Brazil	34	29	63	1	1	0	0	2	923	5,514
Brunei	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	123
Bulgaria	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	140	878
Burkina Faso	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
Burma	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	57	9,254
Burundi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	11
Cambodia	5	3	8	0	0	0	0	0	29	6,953
Cameroon	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	71	517
Canada	56	55	111	4	0	0	0	4	3,731	15,047
Cape Verde	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	4,518
Central African Republic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Chad	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Chile	10	5	15	0	0	0	0	0	191	4,029
China–mainland born	31	21	52	14	95	0	0	109	8,040	235,176
–Taiwan born	77	11	88	64	100	0	0	164	2,024	108,625
Colombia	37	41	78	0	1	0	0	1	807	30,320
Comoros	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Congo, Republic of the	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	19
Congo, Dem. Rep. of the	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	14	279
Costa Rica	8	12	20	0	0	0	0	0	126	2,718
Cote d'Ivoire	15	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	26	243
Croatia	1	4	5	0	0	0	0	0	53	827
Cuba	8	18	26	0	0	0	0	0	39	32,948
Cyprus	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	22	521
Czech Republic	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	65	824

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Denmark	4	38	53	21	72	188	41	1	9	1	10
Greenland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Djibouti	0	5	4	0	4	13	0	0	0	0	0
Dominica	108	432	1,244	122	1,471	3,377	0	1	2	47	49
Dominican Republic	2,773	53,562	71,149	3,306	19,413	150,203	33	9	81	107	188
Ecuador	528	6,513	7,381	1,796	6,090	22,308	4	2	587	366	953
Egypt	33	956	2,081	721	15,871	19,662	59	83	163	49	212
El Salvador	830	27,768	22,124	786	14,690	66,198	0	0	919	2,586	3,505
Equatorial Guinea	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eritrea	17	321	131	7	72	548	4	0	4	0	4
Estonia	0	8	8	4	7	27	7	1	2	3	5
Ethiopia	74	2,399	1,635	40	1,492	5,640	8	21	32	26	58
Fiji	19	375	559	323	8,434	9,710	3	0	4	7	11
Finland	6	37	26	10	82	161	33	2	18	6	24
France	25	238	232	59	528	1,082	187	51	58	20	78
French Guiana	0	11	0	0	1	12	0	0	0	0	0
French Polynesia	0	5	2	5	13	25	0	0	0	0	0
French Southern and Antarctic Lands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Guadeloupe	10	78	23	0	50	161	0	0	3	0	3
Martinique	0	13	4	13	46	76	0	0	0	0	0
New Caledonia	1	0	1	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0
Reunion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Pierre and Miquelon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wallis and Futuna	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gabon	0	1	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
Gambia	0	98	7	3	47	155	0	8	10	17	27
Georgia	0	35	19	12	40	106	15	5	7	0	7
Germany	85	494	454	279	1,366	2,678	277	60	147	30	177
Ghana	627	2,008	1,342	121	1,963	6,061	9	61	70	93	163
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	448	1,252	2,728	1,118	6,558	12,104	1,234	352	585	118	703
Anguilla	5	6	63	20	180	274	0	0	0	0	0
Bermuda	12	14	39	16	128	209	4	0	2	0	2
British Virgin Islands	9	39	38	7	254	347	0	0	0	0	0
Cayman Islands	5	22	7	2	23	59	0	0	0	2	2
Falkland Islands	0	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
Gibraltar	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Montserrat	26	39	90	22	254	431	0	0	1	13	14
Pitcairn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Helena	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Turks and Caicos Islands	1	51	36	5	78	171	0	0	0	1	1
Greece	38	248	248	149	4,013	4,696	26	15	47	22	69
Grenada	121	375	871	121	1,389	2,877	0	0	12	204	216
Guatemala	362	11,679	8,119	714	8,751	29,625	2	5	271	705	976
Guinea	0	40	16	0	19	75	0	0	13	5	18
Guinea-Bissau	0	12	3	0	0	15	0	0	0	3	3
Guyana	1,154	4,891	16,828	3,649	21,406	47,928	33	17	160	766	926
Haiti	1,768	30,827	26,644	521	8,886	68,646	5	2	89	283	372

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Denmark	2	7	9	0	0	0	0	0	61	249
Greenland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Djibouti	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13
Dominica	3	12	15	0	0	0	0	0	65	3,442
Dominican Republic	55	108	163	0	0	0	0	0	393	150,596
Ecuador	5	25	30	0	0	0	0	0	989	23,297
Egypt	24	17	41	0	0	0	0	0	395	20,057
El Salvador	60	46	106	0	0	0	0	0	3,611	69,809
Equatorial Guinea	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eritrea	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	12	560
Estonia	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	16	43
Ethiopia	7	19	26	0	0	0	0	0	113	5,753
Fiji	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	9,724
Finland	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	60	221
France	4	7	11	0	0	0	0	0	327	1,409
French Guiana	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	13
French Polynesia	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	28
French Southern and Antarctic Lands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Guadeloupe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	164
Martinique	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	76
New Caledonia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	4
Reunion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Pierre and Miquelon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wallis and Futuna	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gabon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Gambia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	190
Georgia	6	1	7	0	0	0	0	0	34	140
Germany	15	12	27	4	2	0	0	6	547	3,225
Ghana	54	53	107	0	0	0	0	0	340	6,401
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	41	37	78	4	2	0	0	6	2,373	14,477
Anguilla	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	274
Bermuda	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	8	217
British Virgin Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	347
Cayman Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	61
Falkland Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Gibraltar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Montserrat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	445
Pitcairn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Helena	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Turks and Caicos Islands	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	173
Greece	5	7	12	0	0	0	0	0	122	4,818
Grenada	1	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	220	3,097
Guatemala	5	52	57	0	0	0	0	0	1,040	30,665
Guinea	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	93
Guinea-Bissau	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	18
Guyana	26	92	118	0	0	0	0	0	1,094	49,022
Haiti	118	76	194	0	2	0	0	2	575	69,221

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Honduras	627	8,811	7,575	765	4,574	22,352	4	5	169	306	475
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region	142	1,376	7,593	1,720	55,091	65,922	129	63	230	334	564
Hungary	16	100	94	94	471	775	31	27	18	20	38
Iceland	7	33	25	38	65	168	14	9	0	0	0
India	550	13,222	18,331	10,766	195,410	238,279	547	1,650	1,937	387	2,324
Indonesia	12	399	497	159	2,967	4,034	8	16	26	51	77
Iran	107	2,290	8,389	1,369	25,816	37,971	71	88	570	189	759
Iraq	42	581	2,718	662	7,086	11,089	13	24	15	11	26
Ireland	94	169	125	104	1,408	1,900	57	25	28	13	41
Israel	80	472	895	553	3,396	5,396	108	56	231	88	319
Italy	36	312	330	322	3,479	4,479	115	23	138	56	194
Jamaica	2,859	12,213	21,808	2,562	20,038	59,480	9	29	145	536	681
Japan	39	790	318	186	932	2,265	496	141	373	91	464
Jordan	140	2,390	4,215	1,284	11,017	19,046	21	64	83	18	101
Kazakhstan	1	27	8	6	3	45	21	11	6	0	6
Kenya	12	375	288	145	3,757	4,577	26	50	74	22	96
Kiribati	0	1	2	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	0
Korea, North	3	3	2	0	15	23	0	0	0	0	0
Korea, South	239	3,984	8,709	3,533	54,967	71,432	326	321	2,036	2,104	4,140
Kuwait	35	733	1,541	244	1,270	3,823	21	32	57	3	60
Kyrgyzstan	0	5	5	0	3	13	1	0	4	0	4
Laos	64	600	570	349	2,478	4,061	0	0	22	0	22
Latvia	6	47	25	15	29	122	9	7	8	0	8
Lebanon	143	2,188	6,531	1,724	14,154	24,740	24	57	248	65	313
Lesotho	0	2	2	0	1	5	0	0	0	2	2
Liberia	200	968	715	92	706	2,681	3	16	82	52	134
Libya	2	46	66	14	131	259	0	13	1	1	2
Liechtenstein	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lithuania	10	88	39	105	143	385	17	0	8	3	11
Luxembourg	1	0	1	0	12	14	1	0	0	0	0
Macedonia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of	13	229	125	206	650	1,223	6	2	17	7	24
Madagascar	0	7	11	0	40	58	7	1	4	4	8
Malawi	1	22	13	24	185	245	1	4	12	0	12
Malaysia	1	374	483	66	4,316	5,240	18	37	116	69	185
Maldives	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
Mali	0	25	3	0	4	32	0	0	12	3	15
Malta	1	15	19	25	142	202	5	1	0	1	1
Marshall Islands	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0
Mauritania	0	2	1	0	3	6	0	0	0	0	0
Mauritius	0	26	15	6	116	163	0	1	3	3	6
Mexico	9,685	716,379	140,939	37,763	142,043	1,046,809	186	36	1,670	1,795	3,465
Micronesia, Federated States of	0	0	0	4	3	7	0	0	0	0	0
Moldova	1	43	31	40	68	183	13	8	6	1	7
Monaco	0	3	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
Mongolia	0	2	0	3	4	9	0	4	0	0	0
Morocco	3	333	502	29	881	1,748	24	39	51	46	97
Mozambique	4	9	24	4	182	223	1	0	2	11	13

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Honduras	0	25	25	0	0	0	0	0	509	22,861
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region	10	5	15	3	38	0	0	41	812	66,734
Hungary	1	5	6	0	0	0	0	0	102	877
Iceland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	191
India	166	187	353	5	1	0	0	6	4,880	243,159
Indonesia	8	2	10	1	0	0	0	1	112	4,146
Iran	8	21	29	0	0	0	0	0	947	38,918
Iraq	11	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	74	11,163
Ireland	8	3	11	0	0	0	0	0	134	2,034
Israel	39	66	105	2	0	0	0	2	590	5,986
Italy	5	23	28	0	0	0	0	0	360	4,839
Jamaica	83	293	376	0	0	0	0	0	1,095	60,575
Japan	13	16	29	5	12	0	0	17	1,147	3,412
Jordan	18	18	36	0	0	0	0	0	222	19,268
Kazakhstan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	38	83
Kenya	25	4	29	0	0	0	0	0	201	4,778
Kiribati	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Korea, North	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	24
Korea, South	393	495	888	22	74	0	0	96	5,771	77,203
Kuwait	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	116	3,939
Kyrgyzstan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	18
Laos	1	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	26	4,087
Latvia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	146
Lebanon	4	7	11	1	0	0	0	1	406	25,146
Lesotho	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	7
Liberia	28	3	31	0	0	0	0	0	184	2,865
Libya	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	16	275
Liechtenstein	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lithuania	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	413
Luxembourg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	15
Macedonia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of	9	3	12	0	0	0	0	0	44	1,267
Madagascar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	74
Malawi	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	20	265
Malaysia	10	5	15	0	0	0	0	0	255	5,495
Maldives	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Mali	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	47
Malta	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	209
Marshall Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Mauritania	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Mauritius	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	8	171
Mexico	110	213	323	3	1	0	0	4	4,014	1,050,823
Micronesia, Federated States of	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Moldova	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	29	212
Monaco	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Mongolia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	13
Morocco	2	6	8	0	0	0	0	0	168	1,916
Mozambique	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	237

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Namibia	0	4	2	0	1	7	1	0	0	0	0
Nauru	0	1	3	0	26	30	0	0	0	0	0
Nepal	1	145	71	29	384	630	18	21	56	23	79
Netherlands	6	70	100	28	220	424	56	14	33	8	41
Aruba	2	19	26	0	60	107	0	0	1	0	1
Netherlands Antilles	1	33	54	21	144	253	0	0	3	3	6
New Zealand	25	60	62	81	203	431	75	4	40	9	49
Cook Islands	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Niue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nicaragua	239	5,315	5,196	609	5,427	16,786	7	5	187	342	529
Niger	0	3	1	0	15	19	3	0	0	0	0
Nigeria	192	2,251	1,556	66	3,593	7,658	37	102	373	49	422
Norway	19	42	50	41	83	235	20	11	15	6	21
Oman	1	5	3	5	25	39	2	0	0	2	2
Pakistan	28	6,841	6,543	2,142	38,968	54,522	60	204	306	77	383
Palau	0	3	0	0	13	16	0	0	0	0	0
Panama	187	695	1,198	387	3,412	5,879	5	3	18	41	59
Papua New Guinea	0	3	0	0	9	12	0	2	0	0	0
Paraguay	6	172	125	11	277	591	3	1	18	95	113
Peru	464	4,936	9,358	1,560	14,355	30,673	57	31	317	487	804
Philippines	57,658	23,866	46,381	158,619	272,149	558,673	168	2,130	9,763	2,197	11,960
Poland	995	10,156	5,489	21,780	19,088	57,508	84	58	1,216	461	1,677
Portugal	22	650	651	161	10,550	12,034	11	1	378	287	665
Macau	4	43	225	66	3,306	3,644	3	6	8	8	16
Qatar	0	91	97	1	69	258	1	1	7	0	7
Romania	73	806	486	693	3,696	5,754	40	53	197	28	225
Russia	46	834	321	246	444	1,891	496	228	146	33	179
Rwanda	0	4	3	0	4	11	3	0	6	0	6
Saint Kitts and Nevis	125	247	1,046	125	1,583	3,126	0	1	0	17	17
Saint Lucia	82	378	775	64	1,154	2,453	3	1	6	68	74
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	155	281	665	140	1,167	2,408	0	0	9	126	135
Samoa	41	173	101	107	789	1,211	0	0	0	0	0
San Marino	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Sao Tome and Principe	0	9	1	0	3	13	0	0	0	0	0
Saudi Arabia	5	188	234	49	403	879	8	14	11	0	11
Senegal	0	199	73	23	96	391	0	3	3	21	24
Serbia-Montenegro	24	495	464	465	3,449	4,897	67	49	127	51	178
Seychelles	2	2	8	6	78	96	3	0	0	1	1
Sierra Leone	109	521	456	57	674	1,817	5	2	55	92	147
Singapore	1	82	144	43	1,023	1,295	27	9	24	12	36
Slovakia	7	102	27	139	115	390	1	5	16	5	21
Slovenia	2	3	8	4	23	40	2	4	2	0	2
Solomon Islands	0	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
Somalia	12	334	203	27	151	727	2	6	3	3	6
South Africa	26	146	408	167	2,469	3,216	142	47	[illegible]	44	307
Spain	10	212	115	69	681	1,087	54	14		52	69
Western Sahara	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sri Lanka	10	207	416	161	2,557	3,351	11	23	105	143	248
Sudan	6	147	94	9	298	554	6	11	24	0	24

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	Employment Preferences									
FSC Name	4th	4th Religious Workers	4th Total	5th Empl. Creation	5th Targeted Empl. Areas	5th Regional Pilot Program	5th Regional Target Areas	5th Total	Employment Preference Total	Preference Grand Total
Namibia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	8
Nauru	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Nepal	9	4	13	0	0	0	0	0	131	761
Netherlands	5	0	5	0	5	0	0	5	121	545
Aruba	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	108
Netherlands Antilles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	259
New Zealand	5	7	12	0	0	0	0	0	140	571
Cook Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Niue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nicaragua	23	38	61	0	0	0	0	0	602	17,388
Niger	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	22
Nigeria	98	81	179	0	0	0	0	0	740	8,398
Norway	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	54	289
Oman	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	43
Pakistan	39	31	70	0	0	0	0	0	717	55,239
Palau	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16
Panama	70	11	81	0	0	0	0	0	148	6,027
Papua New Guinea	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	14
Paraguay	0	11	11	0	0	0	0	0	128	719
Peru	4	17	21	1	0	0	0	1	914	31,587
Philippines	321	159	480	2	1	0	0	3	14,741	573,414
Poland	21	185	206	0	0	0	0	0	2,025	59,533
Portugal	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	679	12,713
Macau	0	1	1	0	4	0	0	4	30	3,674
Qatar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	267
Romania	28	69	97	1	0	0	0	1	416	6,170
Russia	4	19	23	2	14	0	0	16	942	2,833
Rwanda	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	20
Saint Kitts and Nevis	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	22	3,148
Saint Lucia	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	82	2,535
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	6	27	33	0	0	0	0	0	168	2,576
Samoa	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	1,213
San Marino	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Sao Tome and Principe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13
Saudi Arabia	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	34	913
Senegal	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	31	422
Serbia-Montenegro	5	9	14	0	0	0	0	0	308	5,205
Seychelles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	100
Sierra Leone	5	10	15	0	0	0	0	0	169	1,986
Singapore	3	0	3	0	1	0	0	1	76	1,371
Slovakia	12	3	15	0	0	0	0	0	42	432
Slovenia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	48
Solomon Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Somalia	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	19	746
South Africa	31	11	42	2	0	0	0	2	540	3,756
Spain	13	8	21	0	0	0	0	0	158	1,245
Western Sahara	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sri Lanka	4	3	7	0	0	0	0	0	289	3,640
Sudan	7	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	48	602

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	Family Preferences						Employment Preferences				
FSC Name	1st	2A	2B	3rd	4th	Family Preference Total	1st	2nd	3rd	3rd Other Workers	3rd Total
Suriname	13	68	76	33	185	375	1	0	5	31	36
Swaziland	0	0	3	0	9	12	0	0	1	0	1
Sweden	20	119	159	43	157	498	211	38	68	26	94
Switzerland	9	67	56	26	196	354	65	12	29	7	36
Syria	56	1,202	3,243	763	8,509	13,773	23	164	396	47	443
Tajikistan	0	7	5	0	5	17	1	0	1	0	1
Tanzania	7	71	186	41	1,779	2,084	6	21	7	13	20
Thailand	100	1,033	1,811	188	4,936	8,068	1	16	193	101	294
Togo	0	21	5	0	40	66	4	1	0	5	5
Tonga	9	456	284	97	1,596	2,442	0	0	0	9	9
Trinidad and Tobago	832	3,112	4,850	2,154	15,358	26,306	15	26	226	1,401	1,627
Tunisia	0	32	26	5	90	153	4	1	1	1	2
Turkey	8	497	429	103	1,911	2,948	44	21	151	34	185
Turkmenistan	0	4	0	0	0	4	0	4	3	0	3
Tuvalu	0	0	0	0	6	6	0	0	0	0	0
Uganda	7	165	128	73	1,966	2,339	12	14	33	23	58
Ukraine	41	716	245	246	419	1,667	86	50	56	28	84
United Arab Emirates	3	100	56	26	124	309	8	11	19	1	20
Uruguay	22	139	196	57	545	959	20	5	39	17	56
Uzbekistan	9	52	60	15	81	217	13	5	23	0	23
Vanuatu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vatican City	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Venezuela	105	815	795	356	1,279	3,350	95	11	71	25	96
Vietnam	735	9,917	10,952	5,583	48,210	75,397	10	13	70	19	89
Yemen	1,685	1,508	791	2,137	1,575	7,696	1	1	7	1	8
Zambia	0	49	64	33	496	642	1	1	3	5	8
Zimbabwe	7	57	76	40	478	658	18	23	32	0	32
Grand Totals	**93,376**	**1,052,270**	**578,351**	**312,200**	**1,502,233**	**3,538,430**	**11,405**	**9,527**	**35,030**	**21,834**	**56,864**

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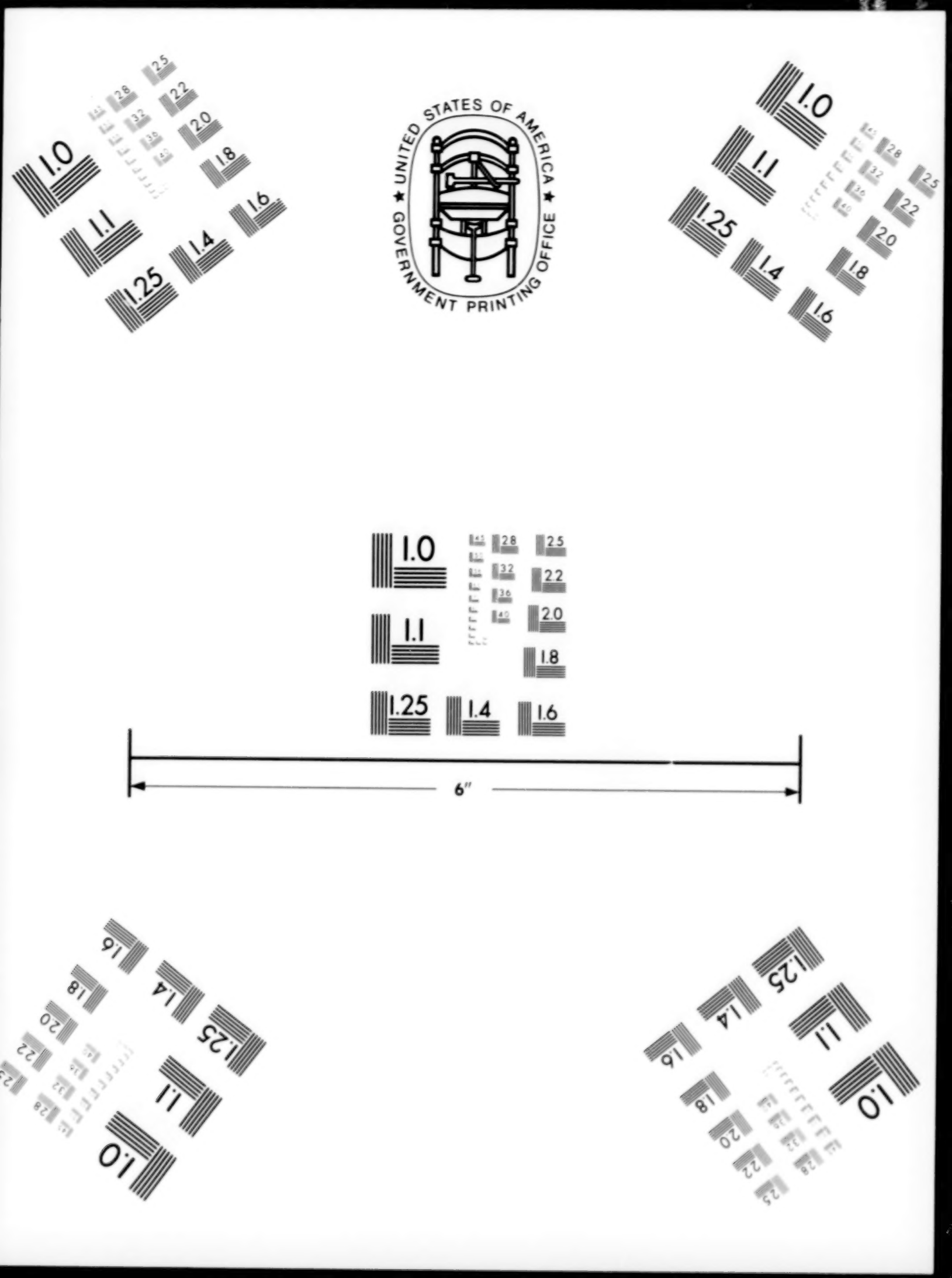
	Employment Preferences									
FSC Name	4th	4th Religious Workers	4th Total	5th Empl. Creation	5th Targeted Empl. Areas	5th Regional Pilot Program	5th Regional Target Areas	5th Total	Employment Preference Total	Preference Grand Total
Suriname	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	39	414
Swaziland	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	14
Sweden	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	346	844
Switzerland	0	3	3	0	3	0	0	3	119	473
Syria	8	19	27	0	0	0	0	0	657	14,430
Tajikistan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	19
Tanzania	1	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	51	2,135
Thailand	15	13	28	0	0	0	0	0	339	8,407
Togo	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	14	80
Tonga	4	3	7	0	0	0	0	0	16	2,458
Trinidad and Tobago	89	246	335	0	0	0	0	0	2,003	28,309
Tunisia	6	2	8	0	0	0	0	0	15	168
Turkey	1	6	7	0	0	0	0	0	257	3,205
Turkmenistan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	11
Tuvalu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Uganda	5	4	9	0	0	0	0	0	93	2,432
Ukraine	15	42	57	0	0	0	0	0	277	1,944
United Arab Emirates	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	39	348
Uruguay	1	8	9	0	0	0	0	0	90	1,049
Uzbekistan	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	43	260
Vanuatu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vatican City	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Venezuela	25	17	42	0	0	0	0	0	244	3,594
Vietnam	35	24	59	0	0	0	0	0	171	75,568
Yemen	0	13	13	0	0	0	0	0	23	7,719
Zambia	5	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	16	658
Zimbabwe	8	0	8	0	1	0	0	1	82	740
Grand Totals	**2,766**	**3,405**	**6,171**	**141**	**359**	**0**	**0**	**500**	**84,467**	**3,622,897**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